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54 Data acquisition systems with programmable bit-serial digital signal processors.

57 A monolithic integrated circuit as may be used in combination with a plurality of sensors for generating respective sensor output signals, which monolithic integrated circuit includes means for converting each sensor output signal to bit-serial digital format, together with some initial processing circuitry comprising a bit-serial multiply-add processor. This processor includes a bit-serial digital multiplier for multiplying a first digital processor input signal in bit-serial form by a second digital processor input signal to generate a digital product signal, a digital adder for adding a third digital processor input signal to the digital product signal to generate a digital sum signal, and means for supplying a digital processor output signal with bits corresponding to those of said digital sum signal. A memory system provides memory for storing program instructions, memory for storing successive values of the second digital processor input signal, memory for storing successive values of the third digital processor input signal, and memory for storing successive values of the digital processor output signal as written into the memory system. The first digital processor input signal can be selected from among the sensor output signals as converted to bit-serial digital format.

The second digital processor input signals applied to the bit-serial multiply-add processor are at least at selected times read from the memory system, as are the third digital processor input signals applied to the bit-serial multiply-add processor. A controller retrieves stored program instructions in a prescribed order from the memory for storing program instructions and generates control signals for controlling at least the reading and writing of the memory system, as well as the selecting of the first digital processor input signal.

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The invention relates to programmable digital signal processors and, more particularly, to such processors operative on digital signals in bit-serial form and included in data acquisition systems.

#### Background of the Invention

Bit-serial digital signal processing is known to be efficient, from the standpoint of the amount of digital hardware required, for computing fixed algorithms involving multiplication and addition processes. However, when programmable algorithms are to be employed, or when considerable memory is involved in carrying out an algorithm, as in a general-purpose computer or in a microprocessor, electronic designers have used bit-parallel processing instead of bit-serial digital signal processing.

Data acquisition systems for generating digital data for the purposes of computation may receive analog input signals from a plurality of sensors, which analog signals must be digitized before they can be used by a computer as a basis for supporting computations. It is desirable to include respective analog-to-digital converters for the analog output signals from the various sensors within the confines of an inexpensive single monolithic integrated circuit, together with some simple initial processing circuitry. Such data acquisition circuitry can be constructed using metal-oxide-semiconductor (MOS) integrated circuit technology and is suited for applications such as power metering and internal-combustion engine control.

Since the unit cost of monolithic integrated circuits tends to go up with the complexity of the digital hardware within their confines, analog-to-digital converters, multiplexers, and digital signal processors that are economical of the digital hardware involved were particularly considered by the inventors. Bit-serial multiplexers and processors are particularly economical of digital hardware; and an interconnection for a bit-serial signal requires but two lines, one line for conducting the serial flow of data bits, and the other line for conducting parsing signals. The speed requirements upon a digital signal processor in a data acquisition system are often not so onerous but that bit-serial computations are likely to be found to be fast enough. Oversampling analog-to-digital converters of sigma-delta type, particularly those with first-order sigma-delta modulators, are economical of digital hardware.

Bit-serial multipliers that are amenable to being laid out on a silicon substrate by a computer known as a silicon compiler are described by R. I. Hartley and S. E. Noujaim in their U. S. patent No. 4,860,240 issued 22 August 1989 and entitled "LOW-LATENCY TWO'S COMPLEMENT BIT-SERIAL MULTIPLIER". Bit-serial multipliers that

are amenable to being laid out on a silicon substrate by a computer known as a silicon compiler are also described by R. I. Hartley and P. F. Corbett in their U. S. patent No. 4,910,700 issued 20 March 1990 and entitled "BIT-SLICED DIGIT-SERIAL MULTIPLIER"; and in their U. S. patent No. 4,939,687 issued 3 July 1990 and entitled "SERIAL-PARALLEL MULTIPLIERS USING SERIAL AS WELL AS PARALLEL ADDITION OF PARTIAL PRODUCTS". R. I. Hartley and P. F. Corbett describe bit-serial adders that are amenable to being laid out on a silicon substrate by a computer known as a silicon compiler in their allowed U. S. patent application serial No. 265,210 filed 31 October 1988 and now entitled "DIGIT-SERIAL LINEAR COMBINING APPARATUS USEFUL IN DIVIDERS". Oversampling analog-to-digital converters using first-order sigma-delta modulators are, by way of example, described by S. L. Garverick in U. S. patent No. 4,896,156 issued 23 January 1990 and entitled "SWITCHED-CAPACITANCE COUPLING NETWORKS FOR DIFFERENTIAL-INPUT AMPLIFIERS, NOT REQUIRING BALANCED INPUT SIGNALS". P. L. Jacob and S. L. Garverick describe correcting for systematic errors in oversampling analog-to-digital converters in U. S. patent No. 4,951,052 issued 21 August 1990 and entitled "CORRECTION OF SYSTEMATIC ERROR IN AN OVERSAMPLED ANALOG-TO-DIGITAL CONVERTER". Each of the foregoing patents is assigned to General Electric Company and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Summary of the Invention

The invention concerns a monolithic integrated circuit as may be used in combination with a plurality of sensors for generating respective sensor output signals, which monolithic integrated circuit includes means for converting each sensor output signal to bit-serial digital format, together with some initial processing circuitry comprising a bit-serial multiply-add processor. This processor includes a bit-serial digital multiplier for multiplying a first digital processor input signal in bit-serial form by a second digital processor input signal to generate a digital product signal, a digital adder for adding a third digital processor input signal to the digital product signal to generate a digital sum signal, and means for supplying a digital processor output signal with bits corresponding to those of said digital sum signal. A memory system provides for storing program instructions, values of the first digital processor input signal, values of the second digital processor input signal, values of the third digital processor input signal, and values of the digital processor output signal as written into the memory system. The first digital processor input

signal can be selected from among the sensor output signals as converted to bit-serial digital format or from memory. The second digital processor input signals applied to the bit-serial multiply-add processor are at least at selected times read from the memory system, as are the third digital processor input signals applied to the bit-serial multiply-add processor. A controller retrieves stored program instructions in a prescribed order from the memory for storing program instructions and generates control signals for controlling at least the reading and writing of the memory system, as well as the selecting of the first digital processor input signal.

Other aspects of the invention concern the combination of the integrated circuit with sensors for monitoring voltages and currents of electric mains conductors and the usage of the combination for power metering. The plural-channel decimation filtering used after the sigma-delta modulators in the analog-to-digital conversion of analog sensor data is new. The bit-serial processor for making CORDIC, division and square rooting calculations is new.

#### Brief Description of the Drawing

FIGURE 1 is a schematic diagram of a monolithic integrated circuit connected for use in a power metering system, which monolithic integrated circuit embodies the invention in certain of its aspects and has therewithin oversampling analog-to-digital converters and a digital signal processor cascade operative on digital signals in bit-serial form.

FIGURE 2 is a schematic diagram of a portion of the control circuitry for the FIGURE 1 power metering system, including circuitry for interfacing with the programmable read-only memory.

FIGURE 3 is a diagram of the layout of stored information in the programmable read-only memory.

FIGURE 4 is a timing diagram of the operation of the programmable read-only memory.

FIGURE 5 is a schematic diagram of another portion of the control circuitry in the FIGURE 1 power metering system, including circuitry for interfacing with the random-access memory.

FIGURE 6 is a timing diagram of the operation of the random-access memory.

FIGURE 7 is a schematic diagram of the multiple-channel decimation filter used between the oversampling analog-to-digital converters and the digital signal processor cascade in FIGURE 1.

FIGURE 8 is a schematic diagram of the bit-serial multiply-add processor that is the initial processor in the FIGURE 1 digital signal processor cascade.

FIGURE 9 is a schematic diagram showing the connections of the FIGURE 8 bit-serial multiply-add processor to other elements in the FIGURE 1 power metering system.

FIGURE 10 is a schematic diagram of the zero-crossing detector used in the FIGURE 1 power metering system.

FIGURE 11 is a schematic diagram of the triangular coefficient generator used to generate filtering coefficients for use by the FIGURE 8 bit-serial multiply-add processor when performing  $\text{sinc}^2$  digital low-pass filtering.

FIGURE 12 is a timing diagram showing waveforms associated with the FIGURE 11 triangular coefficient generator, as plotted against time.

FIGURE 13 is a schematic diagram of the bit-serial CORDIC processor that is the final processor in the FIGURE 1 digital-signal processor cascade.

FIGURE 14 is a schematic diagram of the scaler used in the FIGURE 13 CORDIC processor.

FIGURE 15 is a schematic diagram showing more specifically the interface between the arc tan radix read-only memory and the CORDIC processor, shown generally in FIGURE 1.

FIGURE 16 is a schematic diagram showing the connections of the FIGURE 13 bit-serial CORDIC processor to other elements in the FIGURE 1 power metering system.

FIGURE 17 is a diagram of the CORDIC processor instruction format.

FIGURE 18 is a table of argument and function selection coding as employed in CORDIC processor instructions per the FIGURE 17 format, which instructions are used by the CORDIC processor of the FIGURE 1 monolithic integrated circuit.

FIGURE 19A is a block diagram of the processing carried out in the multiply add processor of the FIGURE 1 monolithic integrated circuit. FIGURE 19B is a block diagram of the processing carried out in the CORDIC processor of the FIGURE 1 monolithic integrated circuit. FIGURES 19A and 19B are the lefthand and the righthand portions of a composite block diagram of the processing carried out in the FIGURE 1 monolithic integrated circuit, which composite block diagram is referred to as FIGURE 19 in this specification.

FIGURE 20 is a schematic diagram of the analog reference generator shown in FIGURE 1.

FIGURE 21 is a schematic diagram of an alternative monolithic integrated circuit connected for use in a power metering system, which monolithic integrated circuit embodies the invention in certain of its aspects and has therewithin oversampling analog-to-digital converters and a bit-serial multiply-add processor.

FIGURE 22 is a diagram of the multiplier-adder processor instruction format.

Throughout this drawing and the accompanying

specification the symbol  $\Delta$  without a number thereafter is used to denote the one-word (32-bit) delay operator. The symbol  $\Delta n$  where  $n$  is an integer is used to denote the  $n$ -bit delay operator. The symbol  $S\&Hn$  is used to denote the operation of sampling and holding the  $n$ th bit of each bit-serial word in a stream of bit-serial words. The symbol  $2^m$ , where  $m$  is an integer in the range from -31 to zero, signifies a bit serial word in which the  $(31+m)^{th}$  one of the successive bits in the 32-bit bit-serial words in a stream of bit-serial words is a ONEs and all other bits are ZEROs.

#### Detailed Description

In FIGURE 1 a monolithic integrated circuit 5 is to be used for monitoring a three-phase power mains having a conductor 1 for a first phase of a-c current into which the primary winding of a current-sensing transformer 11 is inserted, a conductor 2 for a second phase of a-c current into which the primary winding of a current-sensing transformer 12 is inserted, and a conductor 3 for a third phase of a-c current into which the primary winding of a current-sensing transformer 13 is inserted. A voltage-sensing transformer 14 has its primary winding connected for sensing the voltage between ground and the first-phase conductor 1. A voltage-sensing transformer 15 has its primary winding connected for sensing the voltage between ground and the second-phase conductor 2. A voltage-sensing transformer 16 has its primary winding connected for sensing the voltage between ground and the third-phase conductor 3.

Sigma-delta modulators 21, 22 and 23 in integrated circuit 5 digitize the voltages supplied from the secondary windings of the current-sensing transformers 11, 12 and 13, respectively, to generate digital representations of the analog currents flowing in mains conductors 1, 2 and 3, respectively. Sigma-delta modulators 24, 25 and 26 in integrated circuit 5 digitize the voltages supplied from the secondary windings of the voltage-sensing transformers 14, 15 and 16, respectively, to generate digital representations of the analog voltages appearing on mains conductors 1, 2 and 3, respectively. The streams of output bits from the sigma-delta modulators 21-26 flow to respective input ports of a six-channel decimation filter 20, which cyclically supplies from an output port thereof to a bit-serial multiply-add processor 30 (which will be described presently in greater detail) decimated bit-serial representations of:

- (1) the analog current flowing in mains conductor 1,
- (2) the analog voltage on mains conductor 1,
- (3) the analog current flowing in mains conductor 2,

- (4) the analog voltage on mains conductor 2,
- (5) the analog current flowing in mains conductor 3, and
- (6) the analog voltage on mains conductor 3.

The multiply-add processor 30 supplies a bit-serial output signal to a bank 19 of bit-serial registers, from which bit-serial input signal can be taken by a CORDIC processor 40.

An analog reference voltage AGND against which to refer the voltages supplied from first ends of the secondary windings of transformers 11-16 to sigma-delta modulators 21-26 is applied to the second ends of these secondary windings from a generator 18 for this direct voltage, located within integrated circuit 5. Clock generator circuitry 100 located within integrated circuit 5 generates clocking signals at frequencies related in specified ratio to oscillations of a crystal-controlled oscillator (not shown separately) at a 10 MHz frequency controlled by a crystal 101. The 10 MHz oscillations are divided by four within the clock generator to generate 2.5 MHz clocking for the sigma-delta modulators 21-26 to determine their oversampling rate. The decimation filter 20 is clocked to update its response to the multiply-add processor 30 at 4.9 kHz word rate. The bank 19 of bit-serial registers is clocked to update its bit-serial input signal for the CORDIC processor 40 at a little over five Hz word rate.

A programmable read-only memory (PROM) 9 stores program instructions and coefficient data for the multiply-add processor 30, as well as storing program instructions for the CORDIC processor 40. PROM control circuitry 29 is located within integrated circuit 5, applies program instructions and coefficient data appropriately to the multiply-add processor 30, and applies program instructions appropriately to the CORDIC processor 40. PROM 9 is another monolithic integrated circuit (i-c) located externally to the integrated circuit 5, since PROM 9 preferably is of electrically-erasable type, which is not easily combined with analog CMOS in a single i-c. The inventors use the NEC  $\mu$ PD28C04 electrically-erasable PROM, which is capable of storing 512 bytes and being read at a data rate of over 2.5MHz, for the PROM 9. This PROM has 11 address lines and 8 data lines. The coefficients stored in the PROM 9 are sixteen-bit, two's complement numbers with the binary point following the most significant bit. The interface between integrated circuits 9 and 5 is seventeen bits wide, so a fair amount of power is required for high-speed driving across this interface.

A parallel-in/serial-out (PISO) converter 31, as controlled by the PROM control circuitry 29 (not specifically shown in FIGURE 1), converts the coefficients stored in bit-parallel format in the PROM 9 to bit-serial format for application to the multiply-

add processor 30. In the power metering system being specifically described, these coefficients invariably are used as multiplicands in the bit-serial multiplier portion of the processor 30; and the design of that bit-serial multiplier could be such that parallel-to-serial conversion would not be necessary. However, where the layout of that bit-serial multiplier on the integrated circuit dies is determined by a silicon compiler that permits only standardized bit-serial designs that accept only bit-serial signals through interfaces between functional elements, SIPO converter 31 is used, as shown in FIGURE 1.

(The inventors used one silicon compiler program to lay out the program data RAM 6. The sigma-delta modulators 21-26 were laid out as macrocells, as were pulse duration modulators 63 and 64. Another silicon compiler program ((as described by F. Yassa, *et al.* in their paper "A Silicon Compiler for Digital Signal Processing: Methodology, Implementation and Applications" in the *Proceedings of the IEEE*, Vol. 75, pp. 1272-1282, Sept. 1987)) was used to lay out the remaining bit-serial portions of the circuitry on i-c 5.)

To conserve power for the high-speed driving of a random-access program data memory 6 for the multiply-add processor 30, the program data memory 6 is located within the integrated circuit 5. The writing of the memory 6 from and the reading of memory 6 to the multiply-add processor 30 is done via RAM control circuitry 35. A serial-in/parallel-out (SIPO) converter 32, as controlled by the RAM control circuitry 35 (not specifically shown in FIGURE 1), converts the bit-serial program data from the multiply-add processor 30 to bit-parallel format for being stored in the memory 6. Parallel-in/serial-out (PISO) converters 33 and 34, as controlled by the RAM control circuitry 35 (not specifically shown in FIGURE 1), converts the bit-parallel program data stored in the memory 6 two words at a time to respective first and second bit-serial streams of data for application to the multiply-add processor 30.

Accurate power measurement requires the multiply-add processor 30 to perform integrations over an integral number of cycles of the a-c signals on the mains conductors 1, 2 and 3. To detect integral number of cycles of these a-c signals, the multiply-add processor 30 supplies to a zero-crossing detector 36 high-pass-filtered versions of digital responses to these signals that the processor 30 receives from the decimation filters 27 and 28. The zero-crossing detector 36 returns indications of the zero-crossings back to the processor 30.

A triangular coefficient generator 37 communicates with the processor 30 and generates coefficients defining a triangular filter kernel when the processor 30 is programmed to perform sinc<sup>2</sup> low-

pass filtering procedures.

The CORDIC processor 40 receives the bit-serial output signal from the multiply-add processor 30, as decimated in the bank 19 of bit-serial registers to a little over five Hz update rate. The arc tangent computations in the CORDIC processor 40 use algorithms of the nature described by J. E. Volder in the paper "The CORDIC Trigonometric Computing Technique" appearing in the *IRE Transactions on Electronic Computers*, Vol. EC-8, No. 3, pp. 330-334, Sept. 1959, as more specifically described by J. S. Walther in his paper "A Unified Algorithm for Elementary Functions" appearing in pages 379-385 of the digest of the *Spring Joint Computer Conference, 1971* and as adapted for bit-serial operation. Arc tangent radix coefficients for the CORDIC processor 40 are stored permanently in a read-only memory 38 located within the integrated circuit 5. The CORDIC processor 40 also performs non-restoring division and non-restoring square root extraction using iterative techniques of the sorts generally described by H. W. Gschwind and E. J. McCluskey in pages 278-301 their book *DESIGN OF DIGITAL COMPUTERS-An Introduction* published in 1975 by Springer-Verlag of New York, Heidelberg and Berlin, but adapted for bit-serial operation. The latency through the CORDIC processor 40 is extended to two bit-serial words length to accommodate bit-serial operation, with its one-word-less-one-bit comparison times. Accordingly, the CORDIC processor 40 performs even and odd calculations on a time-interleaved basis. The CORDIC processor 40 is capable of computing the following primitive functions, where *xin* and *yin* are input variables selected to the CORDIC processor 40:

(a)  $yin/xin$ ,

(b)  $yin^{(1/2)}$ ,

(c)  $\tan^{-1}(yin/xin)$ , and

(d)  $magnitude(xin, yin) = (xin^2 + yin^2)^{(1/2)}$ .

A normalizer circuit 39 located within the integrated circuit 5 cooperates with the CORDIC processor 40 to provide for the calculation of the further primitive function:

(e)  $[sign(oa2)] \cdot (cordic\_out - L)/M$ .

Here *L* and *M* are constants contained in CORDIC program instructions supplied from the PROM 9; and  $[sign(oa2)]$  is the polarity of the value *oa2* stored in a register. The signal *cordic\_out* is a previous output from the CORDIC processor 40, and the further primitive function is generated using the *yln/xln* function of the CORDIC processor 40. The symbol  $\cdot$  denotes multiplication throughout this specification.

Processing through the CORDIC processor 40 is done on a time-division-multiplexed basis, and provision is made for metering two functions at the same time. Accordingly, bit-serial indications of the

one function **digout1** are loaded during selected intervals into a register **60** for subsequent application to a digital meter **61**; and bit-serial indications of the other function **digout2** are loaded during selected intervals into a register **62** for application to a digital meter **63**. A pulse duration modulator **64** responds to **digout1** to supply pulses of corresponding duration as a signal **pdm1** to a D'Arsonval meter **65**. Similarly, a pulse duration modulator **66** responds to **digout2** to supply pulses of corresponding duration as a signal **pdm2** to another D'Arsonval meter **67**.

FIGURE 2 shows the PROM control circuitry **29** and portions of the clock generator **100** on the power metering i-c **5** in greater detail, and connections of the PROM control circuitry **29** to the off-chip PROM **9**.

An eleven-stage master counter in the clock generator **100** counts at four times the oversampling rate in the sigma-delta modulators **21-26**. This eleven-stage master counter comprises a two-stage counter **102** generating a 2-parallel-bit relatively less significant count output and a further nine-stage counter **103** counting the overflow bits from the counter **102** and generating a 9-parallel-bit relatively more significant count output. The nine-stage counter **103** is of an up-down type in which the 9-parallel-bit count output can be selectively two's complemented, and such selective complementing is done responsive to the complement of the least significant bit of the count output of the counter **102**, which complement is furnished via a logic inverter **104** as the signal **saw** to the decimation filter **20** of FIGURE 1, which filter **20** is described in detail further on with reference to FIGURE 7. This selective two's complementing is done so the 9-parallel-bit relatively more significant count output and its complement can be used as the rising and falling portions, respectively, of the triangular filter coefficients in the six-channel decimation filter **20**, which is more specifically described in connection with FIGURE 7.

The **ds\_cntl** signal, generated at a 2.5 MHz rate by the sigma-delta modulators **21-26** each time their outputs are updated, is applied as a reset signal to the counter **102** to establish synchronization between the multiply-add processor **30** and the sigma-delta modulators **21-26**.

Responsive to the least significant bit of the count output of the counter **102** being ONE, a 9-bit-wide parallel-bit latch **105** latches the up-count portion of counter **103** count output. The contents of latch **105** are used to address PROM **9** to access programmed instructions for the multiply-add processor **30**. That is, the nine-stage counter **103** serves as the program counter for addressing the PROM **9** to read sequentially the programmed instructions for the multiply-add processor **30**, on a

continuing, cyclical basis. The four least significant bits temporarily stored in the latch **105** are forwarded directly to PROM **9** as address bits for accessing bytes in the 16-byte unit shown in FIGURE 3. A multiplexer **106** selectively transmits the five most significant bits temporarily stored in the latch **105** to PROM **9** as address bits, responsive to a ZERO control signal being received from an AND gate **107**.

The AND gate **107** supplies a ONE output signal only during the fifth, seventh, thirteenth and fifteenth bytes of PROM **9** output, responsive to both **ctr2** and **ctr4** signals being high. The **ctr2** and **ctr4** signals are the up counts from the second and fourth stages, respectively, of the master counter comprising counters **102** and **103**, as obtained from the 9-bit latch **105**. Responsive to a ONE control signal being received from the AND gate **107**, the multiplexer **106** selectively transmits to PROM **9** as address bits the 5-parallel-bit count output of a counter **108**. The PROM **9** is considered to have a three-bit-interval latency.

AND gates **109** and **1010** and the **cout11** overflow from the counter **108** with the **update\_wb** flag (as generated in the FIGURE 11 circuitry) and a **cordic\_inc** signal to generate the ONEs the five-stage counter **108** counts. The **cordic\_inc** signal is a flag bit included in every instruction of the program for CORDIC processor **40**, which flag bit is a ONE for every instruction but the last and then is a ZERO to halt the counter **108** at its full count. Accordingly, until the last instruction of the program for CORDIC processor **40**, the counter **103** advances its count once every 2048 counts of the master counter comprising counters **102** and **103**. The **update\_wb** flag is complemented by the logic inverter **1012**, and the complement is supplied to an AND gate **1011** as one of its input signals. The other input signal to the AND gate **1011** is the counter **103** overflow. If counter **103** overflow occurs other than when the **update\_wb** flag is ONE, the AND gate **1011** will supply a ONE to reset the counter **108** to zero count.

ONEs indicating the clock cycle when the output signals from the sigma-delta modulators **21-26** are making their transitions are delayed one bit-serial clock delay in a clocked delay stage **1013** and applied as reset signal to the two-stage counter **102**, so the count conditions in the counters **102** and **103** are synchronized therefrom.

The final carry-out **cout11** of the master counter comprising counters **102** and **103**, which occurs after count 2047 is reached, is selected to the input port of a clocked delay stage **1014** by a multiplexer **1015**, responsive to bit-serial **2<sup>0</sup>** applied as its control signal being a ONE. During the next thirty-one bit intervals, when its control signal is ZERO, the multiplexer **1015** selects to the input port of the

single-bit-delay clocked delay stage 1014 the signal from its output port, in a latching operation. The signal from the output port of the clocked delay stage 1014 is the **cordic\_start** signal used by circuitry shown in FIGURES 9, 11, 13 and 15. This signal is high during the initial, zeroeth instruction of each cycle of sixty-four **MAP** instructions that is supplied to the multiply-add processor 30.

FIGURE 3 diagrams the layout of the sixteen eight-bit bytes of information stored in the NEC  $\mu$ PD28C04 used as the PROM 9. The FIGURE 2 circuitry successively extracts the sixteen bytes of stored program and coefficient information from the PROM 9, in the order shown in the FIGURE 4 timing diagram. This reading of the PROM 9 will now be described in greater detail, referring to FIGURE 2.

FIGURE 2 shows a 48-bit latch 90 that receives as its input signals output signals from eight-bit latches 91, 92, 93, 94, 96 and 97. (The 48-bit latch 90 does not actually appear in the monolithic i-c's presently being fabricated, since the timing of each control signal is independently derived by the silicon compiler, but is a convenient fiction to help human minds to understand the operation of the i-c.) The zeroeth and eighth of the sixteen eight-bit bytes sequentially and cyclically read from PROM 9 are latched in the eight-bit latch 91, responsive to bit-serial  $2^{-28}$ ; the first and ninth of the sixteen eight-bit bytes sequentially and cyclically read from PROM 9 are latched in the eight-bit latch 92, responsive to bit-serial  $2^{-24}$ ; the second and the tenth of the sixteen eight-bit bytes sequentially and cyclically read from PROM 9 are latched in an eight-bit latch 93, responsive to bit-serial  $2^{-20}$ ; and the third and eleventh of the sixteen eight-bit bytes sequentially and cyclically read from PROM 9 are latched in the eight-bit latch 94, responsive to bit-serial  $2^{-16}$ .

The fifth of the sixteen eight-bit bytes sequentially and cyclically read from PROM 9 are latched in the eight-bit latch 96, responsive to a latch instruction received thereby; and, responsive to another latch instruction eight bit intervals later, the eight-bit latch 97 latches the seventh of the sixteen eight-bit bytes sequentially and cyclically read from PROM 9. The latch instructions for latches 96 and 97 are shown as being provided from the output ports of AND gates 961 and 971, respectively. The AND gate 961 output signal goes to ONE when both bit-serial  $2^{-8}$  and the output signal from a logic inverter 962 are ONES. The AND gate 971 output signal goes to ONE when both bit-serial  $2^0$  and the output signal from a logic inverter 972 are ONES. The output signals from the logic inverters 962 and 972 go to ONE when **ctr5** goes to ZERO. The **ctr5** signal is the output signal during up count from the fifth (numbering from zeroeth) stage of the

counter comprising counters 102 and 103, as latched in the latch 105.

Forty-eight bits are assumed to be temporarily stored in latch 90. Bits 0-4 in the output signal of latch 90 are applied to the RAM 6 (not shown in FIGURE 2) as its **read0** address **read0\_adr**; bits 5-9 in the output signal of latch 90 are applied to the RAM 6 as its **read1** address **read1\_adr**; and bits 10-14 in the output signal of latch 90 are applied to the RAM 6 as its **write** address **write\_adr**. Bit 15 is the **WR0** flag, which goes high to direct the writing of RAM 6 with its **read\_0** output. Bits 16-18 are the control signals for the multiplexer 45. Bits 19-21 are the control signals for the multiplexer 46. Bits 22-24 are the control signals for the multiplexer 47. Bits 25-28 are the load flags **FA**, **OA1**, **OA2**, and **NP**, respectively. Bit 29 is the **XP** flag. Bit 30 is the **EZ** flag. Bit 31 is unused. Bits 32-39, latched into the latch 90 from latch 96, are supplied to the cordic processor 40 as instruction **CC0**. Bits 40-47, latched into the latch 90 from latch 97, are supplied to the cordic processor 40 as instruction **CC1**.

The fourth, sixth, twelfth, and fourteenth of the sixteen eight-bit bytes sequentially and cyclically read from PROM 9 are loaded in parallel into a parallel-in/serial-out register 95, which has 8-bit temporary storage capability for the **coef** signals to be supplied to the multiply-add processor 30. An OR gate 951 supplies a ONE responsive to bit-serial  $2^{-12}$  for commanding the loading of the fourth and twelfth of the sixteen eight-bit bytes sequentially read from PROM 9 into the SIPO register 95, as the initial portion of the **coef** signal made available to a multiplexer 46 (shown in FIGURE 9). The OR gate 951 also supplies a ONE responsive to bit-serial  $2^{-4}$  for commanding the loading of the sixth and fourteenth of the sixteen eight-bit bytes sequentially read from PROM 9 into the SIPO register 95, as the final portion of the **coef** signal made available to the multiplexer 46.

The thirteenth and fifteenth of the sixteen eight-bit bytes sequentially and cyclically read from PROM 9 are loaded in parallel into a parallel-in/serial-out register 98, responsive to an AND gate 981 supplying a ONE, responsive to **ctr5** signal going to ONE at the same time as the output signal of an OR gate 982. The output signal of the OR gate 982 goes to ONE responsive to either bit-serial  $2^0$  or bit-serial  $2^{-8}$  being a ONE. The bit-serial signal from the serial output port of the parallel-in/serial-out register 98 is applied to the input port of a 16-bit clocked delay line 983, which has its output port connected back to the serial input port of the PISO register 98 to form a circulating serial-memory loop 984. This circulating serial-memory loop 984 supplies at the output port of the clocked delay line 983 the thirteenth and

fifteenth eight-bit bytes from PROM 9 as temporarily stored in the circulating serial-memory loop 984, in parallel with the current thirteenth and fifteenth eight-bit bytes from PROM 9 as read directly from the parallel-in/serial-out register 98. Each successive pair of thirteenth and fifteenth eight-bit bytes from PROM 9 is read from the parallel-in/serial-out register 98 to a shifter circuit 985 that shifts those sixteen bits to sixteen bits greater significance, filling sixteen ZEROs before those bits and discarding the sixteen succeeding bits, thereby generating an **L** coefficient utilized by the normalizer 39. At the same time each successive pair of thirteenth and fifteenth eight-bit bytes from PROM 9 are read from the delay line 983 to a shifter circuit 986 that shifts those sixteen bits to sixteen bits greater significance, filling sixteen ZEROs before those bits and discarding the sixteen succeeding bits, thereby generating an **M** coefficient utilized by the normalizer 39. Accordingly, **L** is the value of the coefficient in the current CORDIC instruction, and **M** is the value of the coefficient in the previous CORDIC instruction as iterated by being cycled once around the loop 984. (How the normalizer 39 utilizes the **L** and **M** coefficients is described in detail further on in this specification, with reference to FIGURE 9.)

FIGURE 5 shows in greater detail the RAM control circuitry 35 and its interconnections to the RAM 6, the serial-in/parallel-out register 32 and the parallel-in/serial-out registers 33 and 34. The connections of the multiply-add processor 30 to the registers 32, 33 and 34 are also shown. The connection of the SIPO register 32 to the write input port of the RAM 6 is shown to be made selectively via a multiplexer 351 responsive to the **WR0** flag in the multiply-add processor 30 instruction being ZERO. When the **WR0** flag is a ONE, the multiplexer 351 selects to the RAM 6 as its write input its **read0** output as read out two bits previously and temporarily stored in an eight-bit-wide, parallel-bit latch 352.

As shown in the FIGURE 6 timing diagram for the RAM 6, in each cycle of RAM operation, the **READ0**, **READ1** and **WRITE** accesses to the RAM 6 are carried out sequentially during respective ones of the four successive counts of the initial stage of counter 102. The **READ0**, **READ1** and **WRITE** accesses are preceded by another count in the 4-count cycle of the counter 102 when the RAM 6 is not accessed. A **cout3** signal supplied from the counter 103 (of FIGURE 2) responsive to overflow indications from the initial stage of the counter 102 (of FIGURE 2) is delayed for 2-bit, 4-bit, 6-bit and 8-bit durations in a clocked delay line 353 to generate, respectively, an input signal to a logic inverter 354, load instructions for the PISO register 33 and the latch 352, load instructions for the SIPO register 32 and the PISO register 34, and

the **write\_enable** signal applied to the RAM 6 during the **WRITE** access. A **chlp\_enable** signal is supplied from an AND gate 354 to the RAM 6 during each of the **READ0**, **READ1** and **WRITE** accesses. The two-input AND gate 355 responds to the **ctr0** signal applied as one of its input signals going to ONE at the same time the output signal from the logic inverter 354 goes to ONE, which occurs two bit durations after the **ctr3** signal goes to ZERO.

A multiplexer 356 is controlled by the **ctr2** signal from the counter 102 as delayed by a two-bit interval in a clocked delay line 357. Two bit intervals after the **ctr2** signal from the counter 102 goes to ONE, the multiplexer 356 selects the 5-bit **write\_adr** signal from the latch 90 to be applied to the RAM 6 together with the **ctr3** and **ctr4** outputs taken from the counter 103. The multiplexer 356 responds to the **ctr2** signal, as delayed for two bits duration in the clocked delay line 357, being a ZERO to select the 5-bit wide output signal from a multiplexer 358 to be applied to the RAM 6 together with the **ctr3** and **ctr4** outputs from the counter 103 as the 7-bit (read) address for RAM 6. The multiplexer 358 responds to the **ctr1** signal from the counter 102 being a ONE to select to its output port the 5-bit **read0\_adr** signal from the latch 90. The multiplexer 358 responds to the **ctr1** signal from the counter 102 being a ZERO to select to its output port the 5-bit **read1\_adr** signal from the latch 90.

FIGURE 7 shows the six-channel decimation filter 20 in greater detail. The output samples **ds-i<sub>1</sub>** from the sigma-delta modulator 21 and the output samples **ds-v<sub>1</sub>** from the sigma-delta modulator 24 are filtered on a time-division-multiplexed basis by decimation filter channel 201. The decimation filter channel 201 includes a multiplexer 2010 that responds to the count output **ctr1** from the less rapidly changing more-significant-bit output from the two-stage counter 102 (of FIGURE 2) to select between the output samples **ds-i<sub>1</sub>** from the sigma-delta modulator 21 and the output samples **ds-v<sub>1</sub>** from the sigma-delta modulator 24.

The selected signal is supplied from the multiplexer 2010 as bit-serial multiplier signal for a multiplier 2011 that receives a bit-parallel multiplicand signal **saw** from the nine-stage counter 103 - (of FIGURE 2), which counter counts the overflow from the two-stage counter 102. The multiplier 2011 comprises a plurality of AND gates receiving as their respective first input signals the respective bits of the **saw** signal and receiving as their respective second input signals the respective bits of the multiplexer 2010 output signal. The **saw** signal is the positive up count from the nine-stage counter 103 when the count output **ctr0** generated by the more rapidly changing less-significant-bit output



from the two-stage counter 102 is a ONE; when the count output **ctr0** generated by the more rapidly changing less-significant-bit output from the two-stage counter 102 is a ZERO, the **saw** signal is the negative down count from the nine-stage counter 103. This facilitates the interleaved accumulations of input signal samples as convolved with a set of rising triangular coefficients and as convolved with a set of falling triangular coefficients.

The parallel-bit products of **ds-i<sub>1</sub>** convolved with the falling filter coefficients, of **ds-l<sub>1</sub>** convolved with the rising filter coefficients, of **ds-v<sub>1</sub>** convolved with the falling filter coefficients, and of **ds-v<sub>1</sub>** convolved with the rising filter coefficients are supplied on a time-division-multiplexed basis from the multiplier 2011 to a parallel-bit digital adder 2012 as its addend signal. The digital adder 2012 supplies its sum output to a cascade of word latches 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016. The word latches 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 clock their contents forward at the clocking rate of the counter 102 (of FIGURE 2). During the time-division-multiplexed accumulations involving the digital adder 2012, multiplexers 2017 and 2018 select the output signal from the latch 2016 to the adder 2012 as its augend input signal.

The **cout11** overflow indication going to ONE is used as a load instruction to condition a parallel-in/serial-out stage 2019 to load itself from latch 2014 contents, the convolution of the **ds-v<sub>1</sub>** samples with a complete set of triangular filter coefficients. The **cout11** overflow indication going to ONE also is used as a load instruction to another parallel-in/serial-out stage 20110 to load itself from latch 2016 contents, the convolution of the **ds-l<sub>1</sub>** samples with a complete set of triangular filter coefficients.

A parallel-in/serial-out register 2001 is loaded through its parallel-bit input port with a 0101 parallel-bit signal responsive to **cout11** overflow indication from the counter 103 (of FIGURE 2) being ONE as maximum count is reached. A serial-bit input port of the PISO register 2001 is supplied with ZERO input. After the **cout11** overflow indication returns to ZERO, the SIPO register 2001 supplies a 1010 bit sequence followed by ZEROS until **cout11** overflow indication next goes to ONE. This output signal from the PISO register 2001 controls the selection made by the multiplexer 2017. This output signal from the PISO register 2001 is delayed by one clock interval in a clocked latch 2002 to generate the signal that controls the selection made by the multiplexer 2018.

On the first clock cycle following the **cout11** overflow indication being ONE, the final result of the accumulation of **ds-l<sub>1</sub>** convolved with rising filter coefficients stored in the latch 2015 is selected by the multiplexer 2017 to the augend input

of adder 2012 to pre-condition the accumulation of **ds-l<sub>1</sub>** convolved with falling filter coefficients. On the second clock cycle following the **cout11** overflow indication being ONE, arithmetic zero is selected by the multiplexer 2018 to the input port of adder 2012 to pre-condition the accumulation of **ds-l<sub>1</sub>** convolved with rising filter coefficients. On the third clock cycle following the **cout11** overflow indication being ONE, the final result of the accumulation of **ds-v<sub>1</sub>** convolved with rising filter coefficients stored in the latch 2015 is selected by the multiplexer 2017 to the augend input of adder 2012 to pre-condition the accumulation of **ds-v<sub>1</sub>** convolved with falling filter coefficients. On the fourth clock cycle following the **cout11** overflow indication being ONE, arithmetic zero is again selected by the multiplexer 2018 to the input of adder 2012 to pre-condition the accumulation of **ds-v<sub>1</sub>** convolved with rising filter coefficients.

The output samples **ds-i<sub>2</sub>** from the sigma-delta modulator 22 and the output samples **ds-v<sub>2</sub>** from the sigma-delta modulator 25 are filtered on a time-division-multiplexed basis by decimation filter channel 202. Elements 2020-2029 and 20210 in the decimation filter channel 202 correspond to respective ones of the elements 2010-2019 and 20110 in the decimation filter channel 201. The output samples **ds-i<sub>3</sub>** from the sigma-delta modulator 23 and the output samples **ds-v<sub>3</sub>** from the sigma-delta modulator 26 are filtered on a time-division-multiplexed basis by decimation filter channel 203. Elements 2030-2039 and 20310 in the decimation filter channel 202 correspond to respective ones of the elements 2010-2019 and 20110 in the decimation filter channel 201. The multiplexers 2027 and 2037 are, like the multiplexer 2017, controlled by the output signal from the PISO register 2001; and the multiplexers 2028 and 2038 are, like the multiplexer 2018, controlled by the output signal from the clocked latch 2002. The parallel-in/serial-out stages 2039, 2029 and 2019 are connected in a loop 204 of bit-serial memory. The parallel-in/serial-out stages 20310, 20210 and 20110 are connected in another loop 205 of bit-serial memory. A multiplexer 206 responds to a **v-i-select** bit in the multiply-add processor 30 instructions, as furnished from the PROM 9, to select sixteen-bit chunks from one of the bit-serial memory loops 204 and 205 for reading to circuitry 207, which precedes each of these chunks with sixteen fill ZEROS to form a 32-bit data word forwarded to a bit-serial adder 208 as its addend input signal. The adder 208 receives bit-serial 2<sup>0</sup> as its augend input, so it provides a two's complement signed 32-bit data word responsive to the uni-polarity 32-bit data word received as its addend input signal.

FIGURE 8 shows the multiply-add processor 30 in greater detail. A **select-R<sub>1</sub>** signal, an **enable-**

$R_1$  signal and an  $XP$  signal are each what is termed a "logic signal". A "logic signal" is a signal, usually used for control purposes, that is constant during a bit-serial word, 32 clock cycles in the case of the power metering i-c 5. The constant  $2^{-15}$  is a bit-serial word which has only its bit 16 set high to a ONE, where the least significant bit is bit 0.

A bit-serial multiplier 301 receives a bit-serial **coef(ficient)\_in** as a multiplicand signal. Its bit-serial multiplier signal is received from the output port of a two-input multiplexer 302 that receives a bit-serial **data\_in** signal at one of its input ports and that receives at the other of its input ports the **data\_in** signal as multiplied by  $2^{16}$  in a left shifter 303 which is implemented by a sixteen-binary-place shift towards more significance and zero-filling. The bit-serial product from the bit-serial multiplier 301 is selectively applied via an AND gate 304 as addend input signal to a bit-serial adder 305. The bit-serial difference output signal from a bit-serial subtractor 306 is selectively supplied via an AND gate 307 as the bit-serial augend input signal for the bit-serial adder 305. A NAND gate 308 outputs a ONE that conditions the signal at the AND gate 304 output port to be the same as the bit-serial product from the multiplier 301 and that conditions the signal at the AND gate 307 output port to be the same as the bit-serial difference output signal from the subtractor 306 except when bit 16 occurs at the same time the logic signal  $XP$  is high in extended-precision processing. The logic signal  $XP$  is a flag signal that is a portion of certain of the programmed instructions for the multiply-add processor 30. A two-input multiplexer 309 applies a bit-serial **acc(umulator)\_in** signal as minuend input signal to the subtractor 306, except during certain accumulations when a **select- $R_1$**  signal supplied to the multiplexer 308 is a ONE causing it to select to its output port the bits appearing serially from the output port of an AND gate 310.

The bit-serial sum output signal  $R_0$  from the adder 305 is the input signal for a one-word-length clocked delay line 311 that generates a bit-serial signal  $R_1 = \Delta R_0$ . The bit-serial sum output signal  $R_1$  from the clocked delay line 311 is supplied as one of the two input signals to the AND gate 310, the other input thereto being the **enable- $R_1$**  logic signal. The bit-serial sum output signal  $R_1$  from the clocked delay line 311 is the input signal for a one-word-length clocked delay line 312 that generates a bit-serial signal  $R_2 = \Delta R_1$ . The bit-serial sum output signal  $R_2$  from the clocked delay line 312 is the input signal for a one-word-length clocked delay line 311 that generates a bit-serial signal  $R_3 = \Delta R_2$ .

The bit-serial sum output signal  $R_0$  from the adder 305 is applied to one input port of an AND gate 314, the other input port of which receives the

$XP$  logic signal. The output port of the AND gate 314 is supplied to a sample-and-hold circuit 315 that puts out a logic signal according to the state of bit 16 of its input signal, in which the least significant bit is bit 0. The logic signal from the output port of the AND gate 314 is delayed for the duration of one bit-serial word before being applied to the subtrahend input port of the bit-serial subtractor 306.

Normally (the input logic signals all set to ZERO), the multiply-add processor 30 multiplies **data\_in** and **coef\_in** signals to produce a product which is added to **acc\_in** signal. The bit-serial multiplier 301 is built from sixteen coefficient slices, so only the sixteen most significant bits of the coefficient are used in the multiplication. The output of the bit-serial multiplier is a 32-bit bit-serial word which is equivalent to the thirty-two most significant bits of the 47-bit complete product of the 32-bit-per-word **data\_in** word and the 16-bit-per-word **coef\_in** signal, both of which signals are signed numbers in two's complement representation. The fifteen least significant bits of the product are discarded in the internal circuitry of the bit-serial multiplier 301.

In extended precision mode, the flag signal  $XP$  supplied as a part of the current programmed instruction for the processor 30 is set high during the first word of each successive two-word operation. The signals **data\_in** and **coef\_in** must be repeated during both words, while the signal **acc\_in** and the multiplier output are the least significant (first word) and most significant (second word) portions of a two-word quantity. When  $XP$  is high, the data input to the multiplier 301 selected by the multiplexer 302 is **data\_in** as pre-shifted to the left by sixteen bits and zero-filled by the left shifter 303. Therefore, during the first word of an extended precision operation, the output of the multiplier 301 is similar to that obtained by discarding the sixteen most significant bits of the 47-bit complete product instead of the fifteen least significant bits. However, owing to misinterpretation of the sign bit of the data word by the multiplier 301, only the sixteen least significant bits are valid. To summarize, the output of the multiplier 301 during the first word will have a ZERO as least significant bit, followed by the fifteen least significant bits of the 47-bit complete product, followed by sixteen "garbage" bits.

When the multiplier output is added to the least-significant word from **acc\_in**, AND gates 304 and 307 are operative to mask bit 16 of both the addend and augend inputs of adder 305 responsive to the NAND gate 308 output signal being ZERO because of  $XP$  and  $2^{-15}$  being simultaneously high. Therefore, bit 16 of the adder 305 sum output is equivalent to the carry bit from the addition of the sixteen least significant bits, i.e., the valid por-

tion of the word. This bit is sampled and held by a sample-and-hold circuit 315 to produce the logic signal **test\_out**, which is delayed in a clocked latch 316 to generate a logic signal **acc-bak** for use in the following word.

During the second word of an extended precision operation, **XP** logic signal is zero. In fact, there is no apparent difference between a single-precision operation and the second word of an extended-precision operation. As previously stated the **data\_in** and **acc\_in** input signals from the previous word should be repeated, and the more significant word of a two-word **acc\_in** should now be applied. If the less significant portion of the two-word operation yielded a carry, the logic signal **acc\_bak** will be high during the most significant portion of the extended precision operation. The logic signal **acc\_bak** is subtracted from **acc\_in**. Since, a high logic signal has a two's complement value of -1, a carry from the least significant word causes the most significant word to be incremented. A logic signal of ZERO has a two's complement value of zero; thus, when there is no carry from the least significant word, the second word is unaffected.

The net effect of the extended-precision operation is that the complete 47-bit product of the **data\_in** and **coef\_in** signals is preserved in the accumulation. The dynamic range of the accumulator is also forty-seven bits, since the least significant bit and the sixteen most significant bits of the least significant word are not useful.

FIGURE 9 shows in greater detail the connections of the multiply-add processor 30 to other circuitry. An eight-input multiplexer 45 selects the **data\_in** signal applied to the multiply-add processor 30. The bit-serial **data\_in** signal can be selected from:

- (000) a **read\_0** signal supplied from RAM 6 via the PISO register 33,
- (001) a **read\_1** signal supplied from RAM 6 via the PISO register 34,
- (010) the output signal of the multiply-add processor 30,
- (011) the difference between **read\_0** and **read\_1** signals from a subtractor 51,
- (100) the output signal of the decimation filter 20,
- (101) the output signal of the decimation filter 20,
- (110) an indication **f** of frequency drawn from a register 192 in the bank 19 of bit-serial registers, and
- (111) zero-crossing indications from an AND gate 50.

Another eight-input multiplexer 46 selects the **coef\_in** signal applied to the multiply-add processor 30. The bit-serial **coef\_in** signal can be se-

lected from:

- (000) the **read\_0** signal supplied from RAM 6 via the PISO register 33,
- (001) the **read\_1** signal supplied from RAM 6 via the PISO register 34,
- (010) the output signal of the multiply-add processor 30,
- (011) the difference between **read\_0** and **read\_1** signals, as determined by the subtractor 51,
- (100) relatively high-frequency  $\text{sinc}^2$  filter coefficients  $\beta_{nb}$  from the triangular coefficient generator 37,
- (101) relatively low-frequency  $\text{sinc}^2$  filter coefficients  $\beta_{wb}$  from the triangular coefficient generator 37,
- (110) the **coef** signal supplied from PROM 9 via the PISO register 95, and
- (111) the difference between the output signal of the multiply-add processor 30, and the **coef** signal supplied from PROM 9 via the PISO register 95, as determined by a subtractor 52.

A four-input multiplexer 47 selects the **acc\_in** signal applied to the multiply-add processor 30. The bit-serial **acc\_in** signal can be selected from:

- (00) the **read\_0** signal supplied from RAM 6 via the PISO register 33,
- (01) the **read\_1** signal supplied from RAM 6 via the PISO register 34,
- (10) the output signal of the multiply-add processor 30, and
- (11) the difference between the output signal of the multiply-add processor 30 and the **read\_0** signal supplied from RAM 6 via the PISO register 33, as determined by a subtractor 53.

In FIGURE 16, the register bank 19 between the multiply-add processor 30 and the CORDIC processor 40 is shown as comprising component bit-serial registers 191-196. Each of these registers 191-196 is a 32-bit serial memory with the bits stored therein being cyclically available, one bit at a time for reading and one bit at a time for writing.

The bit-serial register 191 is used for storing **f<sub>a</sub>**, the accumulated low-pass filtering result for frequency, as written to register 191 from the multiply-add processor 30 (in FIGURE 9). As may be seen in FIGURE 16, when the 100 input of the multiplexer 401 is selected, **f<sub>a</sub>** can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the **x<sub>in</sub>** input signal thereto; and when the 100 input of the multiplexer 402 is selected, **f<sub>a</sub>** can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the **y<sub>in</sub>** input signal thereto.

The bit-serial register 192 is used for storing **f**, the normalized signal frequency ( $8f_{in}/f_s$ ), as written to register 192 from the CORDIC processor 40 (in FIGURE 16) during updating. The contents of the

bit-serial register 192 can be read and selected by the multiplexer 45 (in FIGURE 9) as data\_in signal for the multiply-add processor 30 (also in FIGURE 9). As may be seen in FIGURE 16, when the 101 input of the multiplexer 401 is selected, f can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the xin input signal thereto; and when the 101 input of the multiplexer 402 is selected, f can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the yin input signal thereto.

The bit-serial register 193 is used for storing  $n_p$ , the number of periods used in the kernel for low-pass filtering with the multiply-add processor 30, as written to register 193 from the multiply-add processor 30 (as shown in FIGURE 16). Register 193 is loaded with  $n_p$  from the output of processor 30 responsive to an NP flag appearing in the current instruction for the processor 30. As shown in FIGURE 16, when the 111 input of the multiplexer 401 is selected,  $n_p$  can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the xin input signal thereto; and when the 111 input of the multiplexer 402 is selected,  $n_p$  can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the yin input signal thereto.

The bit-serial register 194 is used for storing  $n_s$ , which equals  $n_p$  divided by f, is calculated by the CORDIC processor 40, and is written to register 194 from the CORDIC processor 40 during start-up or updating (as may be seen in FIGURE 16). (At times, particularly in the drawing " $n_s$ " appears as " $ns$ ".) The contents of the bit-serial register 194 are supplied to the triangular coefficient generator 37 (in FIGURE 11). As may be seen in FIGURE 16, when the 110 input of the multiplexer 401 is selected,  $n_s$  as divided by  $2^6$  in a shift-with-sign-extension circuit 400 can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the xin input signal thereto; and when the 110 input of the multiplexer 402 is selected,  $n_s$  as divided by  $2^6$  in the shift-with-sign-extension circuit 197 can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the yin input signal thereto.

Referring to FIGURE 9, the bit-serial register 195 is used for storing  $oa_1$ , the accumulated low-pass filtering result for signals received by the multiply-add processor 30 from the decimation filter 20, to register 195 from the multiply-add processor 30. As may be seen in FIGURE 16, when the 000 input of the multiplexer 401 is selected,  $oa_1$  can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the xin input signal thereto; and when the 000 input of the multiplexer 402 is selected,  $oa_1$  can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the yin input signal thereto.

Referring to FIGURE 9, the bit-serial register 196 is used for storing  $oa_2$ , the accumulated low-pass filtering result for signals received by the multiply-add processor 30 from the decimation filter 20, as written to register 196 from the multiply-

add processor 30. As may be seen in FIGURE 16, when the 001 input of the multiplexer 401 is selected,  $oa_2$  can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the xin input signal thereto; and when the 001 input of the multiplexer 402 is selected,  $oa_2$  can be read to the CORDIC processor 40 as the yin input signal thereto.

Returning to considering FIGURE 9 alone, a two-input AND gate 48 receives the output signal of the multiply-add processor 30 at one of its inputs and responds to that signal for writing it to the RAM 6 when the other of its input signals is ONE, as furnished from the output port of a three-input NOR gate 49. NOR gate 49 furnishes that ONE when there is absence of load instruction to any of the bit-serial registers registers 191, 195 and 196 in the bank 19 of registers used to interface between the processors 30 and 40. NOR gate 49 responds with a ZERO to a load instruction being supplied to any of the bit-serial registers registers 191, 195 and 196 in the bank 19 of registers used to interface between the processors 30 and 40. This causes the addressed location in RAM 6 to be written with arithmetic zero.

As will be explained in more detail in connection with FIGURES 11 and 12, the triangular coefficient generator 37 issues an update\_wb signal that pulses to ONE from its normal ZERO state each time a cycle of filter coefficients  $2n_s$  in number is completed and an update\_nb signal that pulses to ONE from its normal ZERO state each time a cycle of filter coefficients  $8n_s$  in number is completed. The update\_wb and the update\_nb signals are each delayed for the duration of three bit-serial words (96 bits) in clocked delay lines 54 and 55, respectively, to provide control signals temporally aligned with the  $R_3$  output signal of the multiply-add processor 30. Responsive to the delayed update\_nb signal and an FA flag included in the current instruction for the processor 30 both being ONES concurrently, an AND gate 56 issues a ONE as a load instruction to the bit-serial register 192 used for storing the value  $f_s$  computed by the multiply-add processor 30. Responsive to the delayed update\_wb signal and an OA1 flag included in the current instruction for the processor 30 both being ONES concurrently, an AND gate 57 issues a ONE as a load instruction to the bit-serial register 195 used for storing the value  $oa_1$  computed by the multiply-add processor 30. Responsive to the delayed update\_wb signal and an OA2 flag included in the current instruction for the processor 30 both being ONES concurrently, an AND gate 58 issues a ONE as a load instruction to the bit-serial register 196 used for storing the value  $oa_2$  computed by the multiply-add processor 30.

A multiplexer 59 and a clocked delay line 591 are connected in a latch configuration in which a

logic signal at the output port of the multiplexer 59 is updated every time the triangular coefficient generator 37 issues an **update\_wb** signal that pulses to ONE from its normal ZERO state. When this occurs the current value of the **update\_nb** signal from the triangular coefficient generator 37 is latched to generate an **update\_freq** signal, the waveform of which is shown in FIGURE 12. As shown in FIGURE 16, an AND gate 197 ANDs the **update\_freq** signal with a **cordic\_start** signal that goes to ONE at the beginning of each cycle of multiply-add processor 30 instructions. The output signal from the AND gate 197 is ANDed in an AND gate 198 with an **f\_sw** flag that is ONE during the CORDIC processor 40 instruction directing the loading of the value **f**; and, at a time when the **update\_freq** signal is high, a ONE from the AND gate 198 commands the loading of the bit-serial register 192 with the value **f** computed by the CORDIC processor 40. The output signal from the AND gate 197 is also ANDed in an AND gate 199 with an **n\_s\_sw** flag that is ONE during the CORDIC processor 40 instruction directing the loading of the value **n\_s**; and, at a time when the **update\_freq** signal is high, a ONE from the AND gate 198 commands the loading of the bit-serial register 194 with the value **n\_s** computed by the CORDIC processor 40. A left-shifter 1910 multiplies the value of **n\_s** by  $2^6$  as supplied to the multiplexers 401 and 402, so that divisions twice by **n\_s** in the CORDIC processor 40 do not generate quotients that overflow the output signal range of the CORDIC processor 40.

FIGURE 10 shows the construction of the zero-crossing detector 36 in greater detail. The operation of the zero-crossing detector 36 is enabled by an **EZ** flag being decoded from the processor 30 programmed instruction. The zero-crossing detector 36 essentially keeps a running tabulation of the sign bit of an input signal **S<sub>hk</sub>** thereto, selected from one of the **V<sub>hk</sub>** and **I<sub>hk</sub>** high-pass-filtering results as will be described in reference to FIGURE 19A, and generates an indication of when the sign bit changes. The normally-ZERO output signal **ZC** of the zero-crossing detector 36 goes to ONE to indicate when the sign bit has changed. To reduce the likelihood of a false indication of zero-crossing being generated in response to a noise spike or to harmonic distortion, a timer 360 is included in the zero-crossing detector 36 circuitry to generate an enabling signal **rflag** that when ONE permits the detector 36 to provide an indication of when the sign bit changes only after a prescribed time has elapsed since the previous such indication.

The timer 360 is essentially a counter that counts down from a prescribed value **ZCT** read from the PROM 9. This counter comprises a bit-serial subtractor 361 arranged to feed back its

difference output signal selectively through a multiplexer 362, to be delayed by one word in a clocked delay line 363 to generate a **timer** signal, which **timer** signal is then applied as minuend input signal to that subtractor 361. In the initiation of the down count, an OR gate 364 responds to either a **reset** signal or the zero-crossing detector 36 output signal **ZC** going to ONE to generate a ONE that conditions the multiplexer 362 to select the prescribed value **ZCT** to be delayed by one word in a clocked delay line 363 to generate the initial word of the **timer** signal. Circuitry 365 senses the logic state of the twenty-second bit of each bit-serial word of the **timer** signal, which is the sign bit thereof, and generates a logic signal holding the same logic state until the circuitry 365 senses the logic state of the twenty-second bit of the next bit-serial word. When the twenty-second bit of the prescribed value **ZCT** is sensed, it is invariably a ZERO owing to **ZCT** being a positive quantity. Circuitry 365 responds to generate a logic signal ZERO. The response from the circuitry 365 is supplied to the input port of a logic inverter 366 that has its output port connected to supply one of the input signals to a two-input AND gate 367. AND gate 367 is conditioned to supply a ONE as output signal responsive to its input signal from the logic inverter 366 being a ONE concurrently with the other of its input signals, the **EZ** flag that is a ONE to enable the operation of the zero-crossing detector 36. The output signal from the AND gate 367 is supplied as one of the input signals to a two-input AND gate 368 that receives bit-serial  $2^{-15}$  as the other of its input signals. AND gate 368 output signal is applied as subtrahend signal to the subtractor 361. As long as the AND gate 367 supplies a ONE as input to the AND gate 368, AND gate 368 supplies bit-serial  $2^{-15}$  to the subtractor 361 as subtrahend signal. The counting down in timer 360 continues until the **timer** signal changes polarity, at which time the circuitry 365 furnishes a ONE output signal. Inverter 366 responds this ONE to supply a ZERO to the AND gate 367, which responds to supply a ZERO to the AND gate 368. AND gate 368 responds to its ZERO input signal to supply an arithmetic zero subtrahend to the subtractor 361. Down counting accordingly is halted, so the circuitry 365 will continue to furnish a ONE output signal until the timer is reset by either the **reset** signal or the **ZC** signal going to ONE.

An AND gate 369 responds to the **EZ** flag and the output signal of the **timer-sign-detector** circuitry 365 concurrently being ONES to generate the **rflag** signal. The **rflag** signal being ONE enables a digital differentiator 3610 that detects changes in the sign bit of a bit-serial signal supplied thereto from the output port of a clocked delay line 3611. The clocked delay line 3611 re-

peats at its output port the signal  $s_{hk}$  (one of the signals  $v_{h1}$ ,  $l_{h1}$ ,  $v_{h2}$ ,  $l_{h2}$ ,  $v_{h3}$  and  $l_{h3}$ ) read to its input port from the RAM 6 after a delay equal to the duration of one bit-serial word, to provide input signal to  $s_{hk}$ -sign detector circuitry 3612. The  $s_{hk}$ -sign detector circuitry 3612 samples bit 31 of delayed  $s_{hk}$  signal and holds that bit for the 32-bit duration of a bit-serial word. Providing that the  $rflag$  signal is ONE, the held bit is selected by a multiplexer 3613 to the input port of a clocked delay line 3614. The current held bit from the output port of the  $s_{hk}$ -sign detector circuitry 3612 is exclusively ORed with the signal at the output of the clocked delay line 3614 in an exclusive-OR gate 3615. As long as the  $rflag$  signal is continuously ONE, the exclusive-OR gate 3615 exclusively ORs the currently held and previously held sign bits, to differentiate digitally the held output of the  $s_{hk}$ -sign detector circuitry 3612. The result of this digital differentiation is applied as one input signal to a two-input AND gate 3616, which receives the  $rflag$  signal as the other of its input signals and generates the  $ZC$  signal at its output port. Except when a transition occurs in the sign bit of  $s_{hk}$ , both input signals to the exclusive-OR gate 3615 will be ZEROs or will be ONES, causing the gate response to be a ZERO, in consequence of which the response  $ZC$  of the AND gate 3616 will be a ZERO. When a transition occurs in the sign bit of  $s_{hk}$ , one of the input signals to the exclusive-OR gate 3615 will be a ZERO and the other will be a ONE, causing the gate response to be a ONE, in consequence of which the response  $ZC$  of the AND gate 3616 will be a ONE, indicating the occurrence of the zero-crossing.

As previously explained,  $ZC$  being a ONE resets the timer 360, conditioning the multiplexer 362 to apply  $ZCT$  to the input port of the clocked delay line 363. After the one-word delay in the clocked delay line 363, the sign bit of  $ZCT$  is detected by the timer-sign-detector circuitry 365. The  $rflag$  signal generated by AND gate 369 becomes a ZERO responsive to the output signal of the timer-sign-detector circuitry 365 being a ONE. When the  $rflag$  signal is ZERO, the multiplexer 3613 is conditioned to recirculate the sign condition that generated the zero-crossing from the output port of the clocked delay line back to its input port until the timer counts down to zero. Any noise spike that causes the  $s_{hk}$ -sign detector circuitry 3612 to change its output condition while the  $rflag$  signal is ZERO is not admitted by the multiplexer 3613 into this recirculatory loop. Meanwhile, the  $rflag$  signal being ZERO causes the  $ZC$  signal to be ZERO irrespective of any difference in the recirculated sign bit and the sign bit currently detected by the  $s_{hk}$ -sign detector circuitry 3612.

FIGURE 11 shows the construction of the trian-

gular coefficient generator 37 in greater detail. A bit-serial counter 370 cyclically counts up from arithmetic one to  $n_s$ , a value stored in the bit-serial register 194 and made available to the triangular coefficient generator 37, as shown in FIGURE 9. The  $n_s$  input signal is shown in FIGURE 11 as being disposed in the sixteen most significant bits of the thirty-two bits cycling within the bit-serial register 194. The bit-serial counter 370 counts in the sixteen most significant bits subrange of the full thirty-two bit range for bit-serial signals in the processor 30 and essentially comprises a bit-serial adder 371 connected as an accumulator for bit-serial  $2^{-15}$ . The counting rate in the counter 370 is established by  $cordic\_start$  pulses to ONE that are ANDed with bit-serial  $2^{-15}$  in an AND gate 372 to furnish an augend input signal for the adder 371. The sum output signal from the adder 371 is delayed for the duration of one bit-serial word in a clocked delay line 373, and the delayed sum signal is selectively applied as an addend input signal to the bit-serial adder 371 via an AND gate 374. The bit-serial delayed sum signal from the clocked delay line 373 is compared to the bit-serial value  $n_s$  as read from the bit-serial register 194. This comparison is done by a bit-serial comparator 375, which outputs a string of ONES when the count has reached  $n_s$ . An OR gate 376 responds to a ONE from the comparator 375 or to a ONE supplied as a reset signal to generate a ONE at its output port. ONES at the output of the OR gate 376 are delayed for the duration of two bit-serial words in a clocked delay line 377 to be ANDed with the next  $cordic\_start$  pulse in a two-input AND gate 378. The resulting ONES in the normally ZERO output signal from the AND gate 378 is inverted in a logic inverter 379 to cause the normally ONE logic signal applied to AND gate 374 to go to ZERO, to interrupt accumulation by the adder 371 and to instead supply arithmetic zero as the addend input signal to the adder 371. At the same time the  $cordic\_start$  pulse enables the AND gate 372 to apply  $2^{-15}$  to the adder 371 and so reset it to the bit-serial  $2^{-15}$  value that is reckoned as arithmetic one in comparing to  $n_s$ .

The triangular coefficient generator 37 of FIGURE 11 includes another counter 3710, which is a bit-parallel counter that includes three cascaded counter stages. The first of these stages generates a  $state\_0$  output signal, which has transitions between ZERO and ONE logic states corresponding to the counter 370 reaching  $n_s$  count. The second of these stages generates a  $state\_1$  output signal, which has transitions between ZERO and ONE logic states corresponding to the ONE-to-ZERO transitions of the  $state\_0$  signal. The third of these stages generates a  $state\_2$  output signal, which has transitions between ZERO and ONE logic

states corresponding to the ONE-to-ZERO transitions of the **state\_1** signal. The string of ONES furnished from the AND gate 378 as reset signal for the bit-serial counter 370 is applied as one input of a two-input AND gate 3724, which receives bit-serial  $2^{-31}$  as its other input signal. AND gate 3724 responds to generate a reset pulse that is only one clock cycle long, which the silicon compiler program arranges to be delayed negative-one-bit duration respective to all associated circuitry, as indicated by a psuedo-delay element 3725. The negative delay of the counter 3710 reset pulse in the psuedo-delay element 3725 cannot actually exist, of course, but the silicon compiler program counterfeits it by introducing a unit-delay clocked latch in every circuit path parallelling that circuit path in which the psuedo-delay element 3725 is shown. This is done to synchronize an **update\_wb** signal going to ONE with the leading edge of the **cordic\_start** pulse. The advanced-in-relative-time, one-clock-cycle-long reset pulse is applied to the counter 3710 to reset each of its three counter stages, causing each of the signals **state\_0**, **state\_1** and **state\_2** to be ZERO-valued. The relative timing of the **ctr** count output of the counter 370 and of the signals **state\_0**, **state\_1** and **state\_2** from counter 3710 are shown in FIGURE 12.

A  $\beta_{wb}$  signal supplied from the multiplexer 3711 is, as shown in FIGURE 12, a symmetrical triangular filtering kernel  $2n_s$  samples wide. As shown in FIGURE 11, during the counting cycles when **state\_0** is ZERO, the **state\_0** signal conditions a multiplexer 3711 to select **ctr** to form a rising portion of its output signal  $\beta_{wb}$ . During the counting cycles when **state\_0** is ONE, the **state\_0** signal conditions the multiplexer 3711 to select the difference output from a bit-serial subtractor 3712 to form a falling portion of its output signal  $\beta_{wb}$ . The subtractor 3712 receives  $n_s$  as minuend input signal, receives **ctr** as a subtrahend input signal, and generates an  $n_s - \text{ctr}$  difference output signal.

A  $\beta_{nb}$  signal supplied from the multiplexer 3713 is, as shown in FIGURE 12, a symmetrical triangular filtering kernel  $8n_s$  samples wide. As shown in FIGURE 11, during the counting cycles when **state\_2** is ZERO, the **state\_2** signal conditions a multiplexer 3713 to select a rising portion of its output signal  $\beta_{nb}$ , as supplied by the sum output signal of a bit-serial adder 3714. During the counting cycles when **state\_2** is ONE, the **state\_2** signal conditions the multiplexer 3713 to select a falling portion of its output signal  $\beta_{nb}$ , as supplied by the difference output signal of a bit-serial subtractor 3715. The value  $n_s$  is multiplied by two by a shift 3716 of all bits by one bit place towards greater significance, to generate an input

signal for an AND gate 3720; and the result  $2n_s$  from shift 3716 is multiplied by two by a shift 3717 of all bits by one bit place towards greater significance, to generate a minuend signal of  $4n_s$  for the subtractor 3715. The sum output signal of the bit-serial adder 3714 is used by the subtractor 3715 as its subtrahend input signal. The adder 3714 generates a ramp up to  $4n_s$  during the four successive **ctr** ramps that **state\_2** is ZERO after the triangular coefficient generator is started, which is selected by the multiplexer 3713 as the rising portion of its output signal  $\beta_{nb}$ . The adder 3714 again generates a ramp up to  $4n_s$  during the next four successive **ctr** ramps when **state\_2** is ONE, which ramp is subtracted from  $4n_s$  in the subtractor 3715 to generate a complementary ramp therefrom; and this complementary ramp is selected by the multiplexer 3713 as the falling portion of its output signal  $\beta_{nb}$ .

In generating each ramp up to  $4n_s$  as its sum output signal, the adder 3714 receives the counter output **ctr** as its augend input and the sum output from another bit-serial adder 3718 as its addend input. The adder 3718 receives as its addend and augend input signals the output signals from an AND gate 3719 and the AND gate 3720. At the beginning of the ramp output from the adder 3714, the ZERO-valued **state\_0** and **state\_1** signals as applied to AND gates 3719 and 3720 condition them to supply arithmetic-zero addend and augend input signals to the adder 3718. The adder 3718 sums these arithmetic zeroes to generate as sum output signal an arithmetic zero supplied to adder 3714 as its addend input signal. The adder 3714 sum output is accordingly equal to its **ctr** augend input signal.

In the next cycle of **ctr** output from the counter 370, the ONE-valued **state\_0** signal applied as one input signal of the AND gate 3719 conditions it to reproduce the  $n_s$  signal received as its other input signal, to be used as addend signal by the adder 3718. The ZERO-valued **state\_1** signal as applied to AND gate 3720 conditions it to supply arithmetic-zero augend input signal to the adder 3718. The sum output signal from the adder 3718 accordingly corresponds to  $n_s$ . The adder 3714 receives **ctr** signal as both addend and augend, so its sum output signal is  $n_s + \text{ctr}$ .

In the next cycle of **ctr** output from the counter 370, the ZERO-valued **state\_0** signal as applied to AND gate 3719 conditions it to supply arithmetic-zero addend input signal to the adder 3718. The ONE-valued **state\_1** signal applied as one input signal of the AND gate 3720 conditions it to reproduce the  $2n_s$  signal received as its other input signal, to be used as augend signal by the adder 3718. The sum output signal from the adder 3718 accordingly corresponds to  $2\text{ctr}$ . The adder

3714 receives  $2n_s$  signal as addend and **ctr** signal as augend, so its sum output signal is  $2ns + ctr$ .

In the next cycle of **ctr** output from the counter 370, the ONE-valued **state\_0** signal applied as one input signal of the AND gate 3719 conditions it to reproduce the  $n_s$  signal received as its other input signal at its output port, to be used as addend signal by the adder 3718. The ONE-valued **state\_1** signal applied as one input signal of the AND gate 3720 conditions it to reproduce the  $2ns$  signal received as its other input signal, to be used as augend signal by the adder 3718. The sum output signal from the adder 3718 accordingly corresponds to  $3n_s$ . The adder 3714 receives  $3n_s$  signal as addend and **ctr** signal as augend, so its sum output signal is  $3n_s + ctr$ .

An AND gate 3721 responds to the final count of the counter 370 occurring when the **state\_0** signal is ONE to generate a ONE pulse in the normally-ZERO signal called **update\_wb** which signals the conclusion of a relatively-wide-band (i. e., relatively-narrow-kernel) low-pass filtering sequence in the multiply-add processor 30. Since **ctr** is incremented each time **cordic\_start** occurs, the duration of **update\_wb** signal being ONE is equal to the duration of one multiply-add processor 30 program cycle --i. e., sixty-four bit-serial words. An AND gate 3722 receives **update\_wb** at one of its input ports. Every fourth time the **update\_wb** signal pulses to ONE, an AND gate 3723 responds to both the **state\_1** and **state\_2** signals being concurrently ONE to deliver a ONE to the other input port of the AND gate 3722. The AND gate 3722 responds to generate a ONE pulse in the normally-ZERO signal called **update\_nb**, which signals the conclusion of a relatively-narrowband (i. e., relatively-wide-kernel) low-pass filtering sequence in the multiply-add processor 30. The relatively-narrow-band low-pass filtering sequence is used by the multiply-add processor 30 when it computes  $f_a$ ; the processor 30 uses the relatively-wide-band low-pass filtering sequence for computations of other signals.

FIGURE 13 shows the CORDIC processor 40 in greater detail. The processor 40 not only is capable of computing the arc tangent of  $yin/xin$  and the *magnitude* ( $xin,yin$ ) function simultaneously by an iterative CORDIC procedure, but is alternatively capable of performing non-restoring division or square-rooting computations using portions of the same digital hardware used in CORDIC computations. The CORDIC processor 40 comprises three bit-serial accumulators each selectively having incremental or decremental accumulating capability. A first of these bit-serial accumulators accumulates an **xout** signal and includes elements 404, 413-415, 429-431, 409 and 410. A second of these bit-serial accumulators accumulates a **zout**

signal and includes elements 405, 432-435, 411 and 412. A third of these bit-serial accumulators accumulates a **yout** signal, and includes elements 403, 422, 424-426, 407 and 408.

The **xout** signal is the output signal for the processor 40 for the *magnitude* ( $xin,yin$ ) function during CORDIC computation, when the vector resolved into **xout** and **yout** components orthogonal to each other is subjected to a series of successive rotations that reduce the **yout** component so as to approach arithmetic zero ever more closely and increase the **xout** component so as to approach the magnitude of the vector ever more closely. The bit-serial accumulator that accumulates the **xout** signal is not usefully employed in performing square rooting; and, when performing division, this bit-serial accumulator is operated as a serial memory for the magnitude of the **xin** signal, rather than incrementing or decrementing **xout**.

The bit-serial accumulator that accumulates **zout** signal generates the arc tangent of  $yin/xin$  during CORDIC computations by accumulating arc tangent radices supplied from ROM circuitry 38. These arc tangent radices have binary values such that accumulation requires addition or subtraction of full digital words. The non-restoring division and square rooting procedures when performed in bit-serial arithmetic in which the successive bits of a digital word are progressively more significant require accumulation of their respective partial-quotient and partial-square-root results on full-digital-word basis. This contrasts with the accumulation of those results being done on a successive-bit basis using a simple shift register when these computations are carried out in parallel-bit arithmetic or in a bit-serial arithmetic in which the successive bits of a digital word are progressively less significant. The bit-serial accumulator that accumulates **zout** signal, used to accumulate the arc tangent of  $yin/xin$  during CORDIC computations, is also used to accumulate the results of the non-restoring division and square rooting procedures performed in bit-serial arithmetic by the processor 40. This economizes the digital hardware used for performing the CORDIC, division and square-rooting computations. The **zout** signal is the output signal for the CORDIC processor 40 for all functions except *magnitude* ( $xin,yin$ ).

In all of the iterative procedures performed by the processor 40, the **yout** signal is selectively incremented or decremented by the bit-serial accumulator that accumulates **yout** signal so as to bring the magnitude of **yout** towards a prescribed value, arithmetic zero for the CORDIC and non-restoring division computational procedures. To avoid loss of dynamic range in the computations as **yout** is systematically reduced in value the bit-serial accumulator for **yout** is of a type that shifts **yout** one



place towards greater significance each successive computation step. The scaling of **yout** is accommodated by a compensatory scaling of all associated numbers relative to that normally required by the algorithm. When computing **yin/xln**, **x** is held constant instead of being scaled by  $1/2$  each iteration. When calculating the square root of **yln**, the trial value is scaled by  $1/2$  each iteration instead of  $1/4$ . When performing CORDIC rotation, **y** is modified using an unscaled **x**, and **x** is modified using **y** scaled by  $2^{-2i}$  during iteration step *i*, rather than **x** and **y** each being scaled by  $2^{-i}$  before modifying the other, as is conventionally done in implementing the CORDIC algorithm. In all cases, the accumulation of **zout** is unaffected by the scaling of **y** and **x**.

The signal **div\_sw** is a logic signal that is ZERO except when the processor 40 is to execute non-restoring division procedures; and the signal **sqrt\_sw** is a logic signal that is ZERO except when the processor 40 is to execute non-restoring square rooting procedures. The signals **div\_sw** and **sqrt\_sw** are provided as respective single-bit fields in the instructions for the CORDIC processor 40 and control the multiplexers used to modify the routing of signals through the processor 40, so as selectively to implement each of the three different types of computations. The signal **ctr5** is a logic signal which is high only during odd-numbered cycles of the 64-cycle CORDIC computation. When **ctr5** is ZERO, the five-bit count output from the CORDIC program counter 108 (in FIGURE 2) defines the address in the PROM 9 of one of the thirty-two CORDIC instructions for the CORDIC processor 40. When **ctr5** is ONE, the count output from the counter 108 address in the instruction PROM 9 a cordic coefficient for the CORDIC processor 40. Each CORDIC instruction accessed when **ctr5** is ZERO is maintained when **ctr5** is next ONE, reflective of the fact that the processor 40 requires two word intervals per computational cycle.

During the time the **cordic\_start** signal is ONE, a multiplexer 403 selects its output signal **y** to equal the **yln** signal supplied as its first input signal from the multiplexer 402 of FIGURE 16; a multiplexer 404 selects its output signal **x** to equal the **xln** signal supplied as its first input signal from the multiplexer 401 of FIGURE 16; and a multiplexer 405 selects its output signal **z** to equal the arithmetic zero applied as its first input signal. The **ctr5** signal applied as an input signal to the AND gate 406 is low, conditioning the output signal from the AND gate 406 to be low. The low output from the AND gate 406 conditions a multiplexer 407 to select its output signal to equal the signal **y** received as an input signal from the multiplexer 403, which output signal is supplied to a word-length

clocked delay line 408. The **ctr5** signal being low conditions a multiplexer 409 to select its output signal to equal the signal **x** received as an input signal from the multiplexer 404, which output signal is supplied to a word-length clocked delay line 410. The **ctr5** signal being low also conditions a multiplexer 411 to select its output signal to equal the signal **z** received as an input signal from the multiplexer 405, which output signal is supplied to a word-length clocked delay line 412. After the time the **cordic\_start** signal is high, during the determination of the successive bits of the bit-serial **yout**, **xout** and **zout** signals by the CORDIC processor 40, the multiplexer 403 selects its output signal to equal the **yout** signal fed back as its second input signal from the output port of the clocked delay line 408; the multiplexer 404 selects its output signal to equal the **xout** signal from the CORDIC processor 40 fed back as its second input signal from the output port of the clocked delay line 410; and the multiplexer 405 selects its output signal to equal the **zout** signal fed back as its second input signal from the output port of the clocked delay line 412. Computations are carried forward only when the **ctr5** signal applied as an input signal to the AND gate 406 is high, so the multiplexer 407 interrupts bit-serial latching operations in a loop through elements 408, 403 and 407; so the multiplexer 409 interrupts bit-serial latching operations in a loop through elements 410, 404 and 409; and so the multiplexer 411 interrupts bit-serial latching operations in a loop through elements 412, 405 and 411.

The computation algorithms require a positive-valued divisor  $|x|$  for use with the dividend **yln**. During the bit-serial latching operation of the loop through elements 410, 404 and 409 when **ctr5** is ZERO, the sign bit of the output signal **x** from the multiplexer 404 is sampled and held for one word duration by the sample-and-hold circuit 413. The held sign bit controls a multiplexer 414 in selecting as its output signal a replica of its **x** input signal if the held sign bit is a ZERO or a replica of its **-x** input signal if the held sign bit is a ONE. That is, the output signal from the multiplexer 414 is  $|x|$  when **ctr5** is ONE during computation. The **-x** input signal for the multiplexer 414 is obtained from a bit-serial subtractor 415 as the difference between arithmetic zero and the output signal **x** from the multiplexer 404.

Usually, in CORDIC computations the vector having orthogonal coordinates **xout** and **yout** is subjected to stepwise rotation that continually reduces the magnitude of **yout** towards zero and increases the magnitude of **xout** towards that of the complete vector. The respective angles of rotation involved in the successive rotation steps are progressively smaller and are accumulated to de-

termine with increasing precision the angle of rotation **zout** that reduces **yout** to zero. In each step of the CORDIC computations the previous value of **yout** is compared to arithmetic zero to determine its sign, so as to determine whether being incremented or decremented by one half the previous value of **xout** will generate as a first cross-sum the desired result of a current value of **yout** of lesser magnitude than the previous value of **yout**, and the cross-sum providing the desired result is generated as updated **yout**. A second cross-sum is generated as updated **xout**, either by decrementing the previous value of **xout** by one half the previous value of **yout** if the previous value of **yout** was incremented by one half the previous value of **xout** in generating the first cross-sum, or by incrementing the previous value of **xout** by one half the previous value of **yout** if the previous value of **yout** was decremented by one half the previous value of **xout** in generating the first cross-sum. The determination of whether the previous value of **yout** is to be incremented or decremented by one half the previous value of **xout** also determines whether the rotation step is to decrement or increment the angle of rotation **zout**.

As performed in processor 40, the generation of the first cross-sum is performed by incrementing or decrementing twice the previous value of **yout** by the previous value of **xout**. The generation of the second cross-sum is performed by incrementing or decrementing the previous value of **xout** by  $2^{-2}$  **yout** the first step of computation, by  $2^{-4}$  **yout** the second step of computation, by  $2^{-6}$  **yout** the third step of computation, etc. These modifications of the CORDIC algorithm are made reflective of the fact that the bit-serial accumulator for **yout** is of a type that shifts **yout** one place towards greater significance each successive computation step, to avoid loss of dynamic range in the computations as **yout** is systematically reduced in value.

During CORDIC computations the control bit **div\_sw** is ZERO, conditioning a multiplexer 416 continually to select successive ONES as another input signal to the AND gate 406, in addition to its **ctr5** input signal, causing the AND gate 406 output signal to replicate its **ctr5** input signal. The control bit **div\_sw** being ZERO-valued also conditions a multiplexer 417 to select **|x|** as its output signal.

During CORDIC computations the control bit **sqrt\_sw** is ZERO to cause a multiplexer 418 to select arithmetic zero as its output signal. The output signal from the multiplexer 418 is the value towards which **yout** is to be successively modified during each of the iterative computation steps. The arithmetic zero output signal selected by the multiplexer 418 is compared to a **y** output signal from the multiplexer 403 to determine the sign of **y** to indicate the direction in which modification of **y** is

to be made, the comparison being made by a digital comparator 419 and the sign bit being stored for a word interval in a latch 420. The comparator 419 generates a ONE output signal when **y** is arithmetic zero or greater and otherwise generates a ZERO output signal. The latch 420 output signal being ONE or ZERO indicates whether the previous value of **yout** is to be incremented or decremented in generating an updated **yout** of decreased magnitude, whether the previous value of **xout** is to be decremented or incremented in generating an updated **xout** of increased magnitude, and whether arc tan radix from the ROM 38 is to decrement or increment the accumulated rotation angle **zout**.

The control bit **sqrt\_sw** being ZERO also conditions a multiplexer 421 to apply the **|x|** signal as previously selected by the multiplexer 417 to a bit-serial adder 422 as its augend input signal. The control bit **sqrt\_sw** being ZERO-valued also conditions a multiplexer 423 to apply that previously selected **|x|** signal to a bit-serial subtractor 424 as its subtrahend input signal. The addend input signal to the adder 422 and the minuend input signal to the subtractor 424 are each the **y** output signal from the multiplexer 403.

In the text that follows, the subscripts **(i-1)**, **i** and **(i+1)** refer to the **(i-1)<sup>th</sup>**, **i<sup>th</sup>** and **(i+1)<sup>th</sup>** successive iterations of the computation steps in the processor 40.

A multiplexer 425 selects the sum output from the adder 422 as the cross-sum of **y<sub>i</sub>** with **|x<sub>i</sub>|** if **y<sub>i</sub>** is negative, or selects the difference output from the subtractor 424 as the decremented or increment if **y<sub>i</sub>** is positive. The output signal from the multiplexer 425 is multiplied by two by a left-shifting clocked latch 426, and the resulting doubled signal is supplied as a second input signal to the multiplexer 407 as iteration value **y<sub>(i+1)</sub>**.

The **y<sub>i</sub>** signal from the multiplexer 403 is scaled by a factor  $\delta_i = 2^{-2i}$  in a scaler 427 and delayed in a clocked delay line 428 for one word duration, to then be used in generating the cross-sum of **x<sub>i</sub>** with  $2^{-2i}$  **y<sub>i</sub>**. The output signal from the clocked delay line 428 is applied as augend input signal to a bit-serial adder 429 and as subtrahend input signal to a bit-serial subtractor 430. The addend input signal to the adder 429 and the minuend input signal to the subtractor 430 are each the **|x|** output signal from the multiplexer 414. A multiplexer 431 responds to **y<sub>i</sub>** being zero or positive to select the sum output from the adder 429 to the multiplexer 409 as a second input signal thereto and responds to **y<sub>i</sub>** being negative to select the difference output from the subtractor 430 to the multiplexer 409 as the second input signal thereto. The second input signal to the multiplexer 409 is replicated in its output signal responsive to the **ctr5** signal being

high.

The  $z$  output signal from the multiplexer 405 is applied as augend input signal to a bit-serial adder 432 and as minuend input signal to a bit-serial subtractor 433. Arc tangent radix coefficients sequentially read from the read-only memory 38 are used as addend input signal by the adder 432. Furthermore, when the `sqrt_sw` control bit is ZERO, as during CORDIC computations, a multiplexer 434 selects to the subtractor 433 as its subtrahend input signal the `tandata` signal from ROM 38. A multiplexer 435 responds to  $y_i$  having been zero or positive to select the sum output from the adder 432 to the multiplexer 411 as a second input signal thereto and responds to  $y_i$  being negative to select the difference output from the subtractor 433 to the multiplexer 411 as the second input signal thereto. The second input signal to the multiplexer 411 is replicated in its output signal responsive to the `ctr5` signal being high.

During the computation of  $yin/xin$  in accordance with a non-restoring division procedure, the processor 40 operates as a fractional machine, with the most significant bits of  $xin$  and  $yin$  being their sign bits in a two's complement arithmetic and being followed by the binary point. During the computation of  $yin/xin$ , the `div_sw` signal is ONE. This conditions the multiplexer 416 to continuously select output signal from saturation arithmetic circuitry 440 as its output signal, conditions the multiplexer 417 to replicate in its output signal an  $|x|/2$  signal, and conditions the scaler 427 output signal continuously to be ZEROS. Assuming that  $yin$  is smaller in magnitude than  $xin$ , the saturation arithmetic circuitry 440 generates a string of ONES that enables non-restoring division procedures to go forward. As will be explained in detail further on, in connection with FIGURE 15, the `div_sw` signal being ONE also conditions the arc tangent radix ROM circuitry 38 to supply bit-serial  $2^{-1}$  during the first pair CORDIC program instructions, bit-serial  $2^{-2}$  during the second successive pair of CORDIC program instructions, bit-serial  $2^{-3}$  during the third successive pair of CORDIC program instructions, etc.

The scaler 427 output signal continuously being ZEROS causes the sum output of the adder 429 receiving the resulting arithmetic zero as addend input signal to equal its  $|x|$  augend input signal as supplied from the multiplexer 414. It also causes the difference output of the subtractor 430 receiving the resulting arithmetic zero as subtrahend input signal to equal its  $|x|$  minuend input signal as supplied from the multiplexer 414. Accordingly, the multiplexer 431 output signal is  $|x|$ , the same as the multiplexer 417 output signal, when  $yin/xin$  is being computed. After this value is selected by the multiplexer 409 when `ctr5` is ONE

to be circulated in the loop through elements 410, 404 and 409, the output signal from the multiplexer 404 will be  $|x|$  throughout the computational cycle -- i. e., until the next time `cordic_start` is high.

The multiplexer 417 responds to one half the  $|x|$  output signal maintained from the multiplexer 404. The  $|x|/2$  signal is supplied as the trial divisor in the non-restoring division process, either to be added to  $y$  in the adder 422 or to be subtracted from  $y$  in the subtractor 424. The  $x/2$  signal selected by the multiplexer 417 is shown as being provided by a bit shifter 436 as shown in the circuit diagram supplied to a silicon compiler. In actuality, the bit shift towards lesser significance is provided by the silicon compiler introducing one-bit shifts towards greater significance in all parallel paths.

During the computation of  $yin/xin$ , the control bit `sqrt sw` is ZERO to cause the multiplexer 434 to select `tandata` =  $2^{-1}$  as the subtrahend input signal to the subtractor 433. Each successive time that `ctr5` signal is a ONE, the value of  $z$  from the multiplexer 405, either as augmented by the  $2^{-1}$  value of `tandata` in the adder 432, or as decremented by the  $2^{-1}$  value of `tandata` in the subtractor 433, is selected by the multiplexer 435 to provide the updated value of  $z$  to be fed back to the multiplexer 405 via the clocked delay line 412 and used the next time that `ctr5` signal is a ONE. The selections made by the multiplexer 435 (and by multiplexers 425 and 431) are made according to the sign of  $y$  computed in the previous one of the successive steps of comparing the dividend  $y$  or modified dividend to zero that are performed in a non-restoring division procedure, as one attempts to reduce the modified dividend magnitude. If  $y_{(i-1)}$  (the previous value of  $y$ ) was zero or positive, the magnitude of  $y_i$  (the current value of  $y$ ) is reduced by subtracting  $|x|/2$ , and the value of  $z$  from the multiplexer 405 as incremented by `tandata` =  $2^{-1}$  in the adder 432 is selected by the multiplexer 435 to provide the updated value of  $z$ . If  $y_{(i-1)}$  was negative, the magnitude of  $y_i$  (the current value of  $y$ ) is reduced by adding  $|x|/2$ , and the value of  $z$  from the multiplexer 405 as decremented by `tandata` =  $2^{-1}$  in the subtractor 433 is selected by the multiplexer 435 to provide the updated value of  $z$ .

The control bit `sqrt_sw` being ZERO-valued also conditions the multiplexer 418 to select arithmetic zero as its output signal. The arithmetic zero output signal selected by the multiplexer 418 is compared to the output signal  $y$  from the multiplexer 403 to determine the sign bit of  $y$ , the comparison being made by the digital comparator 419 and the sign bit being stored for a word interval in the latch 420. The control bit `sqrt_sw` being ZERO-valued conditions the multiplexer 421 to apply an  $|x|/2$  signal as previously selected by the multiplexer 417 to the adder 422 as its augend

input signal. The control bit **sqrt\_sw** being ZERO-valued also conditions the multiplexer 423 to apply that previously selected  $|x|/2$  signal to the subtractor 424 as its subtrahend input signal. The addend input signal to the adder 422 and the minuend input signal to the subtractor 424 are each the **y** output signal from the multiplexer 403. A multiplexer 425 selects the sum output from the adder 422 if the previous value of **y** was negative, or selects the difference output from the subtractor 424 if the previous value of **y** was positive. In order to maintain dynamic range in the division procedure, between trial division computation steps, the value of  $y - |x|$  or  $y + |x|$  selected by the multiplexer 425 is shifted one bit towards greater significance without shifting the trial divisor  $|x|$ , rather than following the alternative procedure of shifting the trial divisor  $|x|$  one bit towards lesser significance without shifting the value of  $y - |x|$  or  $y + |x|$  selected by the multiplexer 425. Accordingly, the output signal from the multiplexer 425 is multiplied by two by a left-shifter 426, to increase the significance of that output signal, and the resulting doubled signal is supplied as a second input signal to the multiplexer 407.

The saturation arithmetic circuitry 440 is used to keep the magnitude of the quotient **zout** no larger than unity. To keep the magnitude of the quotient **zout** in range  $|y|$  must be smaller than  $|x|$ . Circuitry 440 puts out a ONE only when  $|y|$  is sufficiently small that division can proceed satisfactorily. A bit-serial comparator 441 in circuitry 440 generates a ONE output signal whenever **y** exceeds **xneg** difference output signal from the subtractor 415, indicating a negative-valued **y** is not too large to be in range. A bit-serial comparator 442 in circuitry 440 generates a one as its output signal whenever **y** is less than **x**, indicating a positive-valued **y** is not too large to be in range. An AND gate 443 in circuitry 440 responds to both indications of **y** being in range to generate a string of ONES supplied as input signal to a clocked delay line 444 to be delayed one word before appearing as output signal from the saturation arithmetic circuitry 440. If positive **y** is out of range, the comparator 419 will continually output ONES after the ZERO sign bit of **y** is past, and the accumulation of **zout** will result in its most positive value, a string of ONES followed by a ZERO sign bit. If negative **y** is out of range, the comparator 419 will continually output ZEROS after the ONE sign bit of **y** is past, and the accumulation of **zout** will result in its most negative value, a string of ZEROS followed by a ONE sign bit.

The non-restoring square-rooting procedure to compute  $(y_i)^{(1/2)}$  is similar in many respects to a non-restoring division procedure. However,  $y_i$  is the radicand when  $i = 1$  and is otherwise residual

radicand, rather than being the dividend when  $i = 1$  and otherwise being the residual dividend. The trial divisor of the non-restoring division procedure becomes a trial square root to be divided into the residual radicand to generate a result to be compared to the trial test root itself, to determine whether or not the radicand or residual radicand is to be decremented. Since the trial square root to be divided into the residual radicand is to be derived from the **zout** square root thusfar extracted, there is no need to keep track of the trial test root itself in a separate **xout** register. In the first computational step the trial square root is invariably one-quarter or binary 0.01.

During the computation of  $(y_i)^{(1/2)}$  the control bit **div\_sw** is ZERO, conditioning the multiplexer 416 continually to select successive ONES as another input signal to the AND gate 406, in addition to its **ctr5** input signal, causing the AND gate 406 output signal to replicate its **ctr5** input signal.

During the computation of  $(y_i)^{(1/2)}$  the control bit **sqrt\_sw** is ONE. As will be explained in detail further on, in connection with FIGURE 15, this conditions the arc tangent radix ROM circuitry 38 to supply, as **tandata** signal, bit-serial  $2^{-1}$  during the first pair CORDIC program instructions, bit-serial  $2^{-2}$  during the second successive pair of CORDIC program instructions, bit-serial  $2^{-3}$  during the third successive pair of CORDIC program instructions, etc. The **sqrt\_sw** signal being ONE also conditions the multiplexer 421 to select arithmetic zero to the adder 422 as its addend input signal, so its sum output signal equals its augend input signal **y**. Accordingly, the residual radicand can only be decremented. The control bit **sqrt\_sw** being ONE also conditions the multiplexer 423 to select to the subtractor 424 as its subtrahend input signal a trial square root that is the sum output signal of an bit-serial adder 437, receiving the **z** output signal from the multiplexer 405 as its augend input signal and receiving **tandata/2** as its addend input signal. The **tandata/2** signal is shown as being provided to the adder 437 by a bit shifter 438, as shown in the circuit diagram supplied to a silicon compiler, but in actuality the bit shift towards lesser significance is provided by the silicon compiler by introducing one-bit shifts towards greater significance in all parallel paths. The control bit **sqrt\_sw** being ONE also conditions the multiplexer 434 to select arithmetic zero to the subtractor 433 as its subtrahend input signal. Accordingly, the accumulation of the square root is invariably incremental when it occurs. Furthermore, the **sqrt\_sw** signal being ONE conditions the multiplexer 418 to select the trial square root against which to compare the radicand or residual radicand  $y_i$  in order to determine whether or not  $y_{(i+1)}$  is or is not to be decremented.

FIGURE 14 shows the operation of the scaler 427 in greater detail. The signals **ctr5**, **ctr6**, **ctr7**, **ctr8**, **ctr9** and **ctr10** are the successively more significant of the six most significant bits of the count output of the counter 103 (of FIGURE 2). An OR gate 4270 responds to the **div\_sw** control bit being ONE during the the computation of **yin/xin** to cause a multiplexer 4271 to select arithmetic zero as input signal to the rest of the scaler circuit 427, resulting in its output being arithmetic zero. The OR gate 4270 also responds to the **ctr10** output from the counter 103 reaching ONE at full count to select arithmetic zero as input signal to the rest of the scaler circuit 427, resulting in its output being arithmetic zero.

Except when the OR gate 4270 output signal is a ONE, the scaler 427 responds to the sixteen successive count conditions of the **ctr6**, **ctr7**, **ctr8** and **ctr9** signals from the counter 103 to right-shift the bit-serial signal **ys** from the scaler 427 by twice the number of bits in that count, as referenced to the bit-serial signal **y** supplied to the scaler 427.

Figure 14 shows a two-bit-right shifter 4272 and a multiplexer 4273 used to selectively divide by a factor of four responsive to **ctr6** signal being ONE, a four-bit-right shifter 4274 and a multiplexer 4275 used to selectively divide by a factor of sixteen responsive to **ctr7** signal being ONE, an eight-bit-right shifter 4276 and a multiplexer 4277 used to selectively divide by a factor of 256 responsive to **ctr8** signal being ONE, a 16-bit-right shifter 4278 and a multiplexer 4279 used to selectively divide by a factor of 65 536 responsive to **ctr9** signal being ONE. In actuality, bit shifts towards lesser significance are provided by the silicon compiler introducing delays in all parallel signal paths to shift those parallel signal paths towards greater significance; this procedure using left-shifters in all parallel signal paths is necessary since right-shifters *per se.* are not available in bit-serial format.

FIGURE 15 shows more particularly the details of the arc tangent radix ROM circuitry 38. A reduced size for the actual ROM 380 is made possible by the fact that for smaller angles the tangent function is almost linearly proportional to the angle. Accordingly, the actual ROM 380 stores the arc tangent radices of only the eight largest angles having tangents that are declining negative integral powers of two, which arc tangent radices are successively addressed by an address comprising the **ctr6**, **ctr7** and **ctr8** outputs of the counter 103. The stored arc tangent radices are only sixteen bits long but are read out through a parallel-in/serial-out output register within the ROM 380 in such manner that they are followed by sixteen trailing ZEROs, and a clocked delay line 381 delays the ROM 380 serial output to shift the sixteen trailing ZEROs to

appear as leading ZEROs. As long as **ctr9** and **ctr10** outputs of the counter 103 applied as input signals to a two-input OR gate 382 are both ZERO during the first  $2^9$  counts of the counter 103 (eight cycles of CORDIC computation), the OR gate 382 output signal is ZERO, conditioning a multiplexer 383 to select arc tangent radices from the ROM 380 as an input signal to a further multiplexer 384. The multiplexer 384 replicates in its own output signal the arctan output signal from the multiplexer 383 responsive to the output signal from an OR gate 385 being ZERO. The output signal from the OR gate 385 is ZERO as long as the **sqrt\_sw** and **div\_sw** signals it receives as its input signals are both ZERO -- i. e., during the computation of the arc tangent of **yin/xin**.

During the computation of the arc tangent of **yin/xin**, the **tandata** output signal of the multiplexer 384, as delayed one word in a clocked delay line 386, is applied as one of the input signals to a multiplexer 387. The other input signal of the multiplexer 387 is one-half as large and is generated by a bit shifter 388 from the output signal of the clocked delay line 386. A **ctr5** control signal conditions the output signal of the multiplexer 387 to replicate the larger input signal when **ctr5** signal is ONE and the smaller input signal when **ctr5** signal is ZERO. After the first  $2^9$  counts of the counter 103 (eight cycles of CORDIC computations), the OR gate 382 output signal is ONE, conditioning the multiplexer 383 to replicate in its own output signal the output signal from the multiplexer 387. Accordingly, the smallest arc tangent radix stored in the ROM 380 is halved once each successive even CORDIC computation cycle, to appear as the **tandata** output of the multiplexer 384.

During the computation of **yin/xin** or the square root of **yin**, one of the input signals of the OR gate 385 will be a ONE, conditioning the multiplexer 384 to replicate the output signal of a multiplexer 388 in its **tandata** output signal, rather than the **arctan** output signal of the multiplexer 383. When the **cordic\_start** signal is high, during the initial cycle of a CORDIC instruction, the multiplexer 388 selects bit-serial  $2^{-1}$  as its output signal, and **tandata** signal is accordingly bit-serial  $2^{-1}$  as well. Thereafter, the multiplexer 388 replicates in its own output signal the output signal of the multiplexer 387, so bit-serial  $2^{-1}$  is successively halved each even CORDIC instruction, to appear as the **tandata** output signal from the multiplexer 384.

In FIGURE 16 the CORDIC processor 40 receives an **xin** input signal as selected by a multiplexer 401 and a **yin** input signal as selected by a multiplexer 402. The CORDIC processor 40 parallelly generates a **yout** bit-serial output signal and a **zout** bit-serial output signal, which signals are sup-

plied to respective input ports of a two-input multiplexer 400. The **yout** or **zout** bit-serial output signal selected by the multiplexer 400 is fed back as respective input signals for the multiplexers 401 and 402, so that successive computations can be made by the CORDIC processor 40. In power metering applications the CORDIC processor 40 furnishes output data back to the multiply-add processor 30 only when processor 40 has computed **n<sub>s</sub>** or **f**. To implement furnishing **n<sub>s</sub>** and **f** back to the multiply-add processor 30, the multiplexer 400 output signal provides respective input signals for the registers 192 and 194 in register bank 19 by suitable connections.

As noted previously in regard to FIGURE 1, processing through the CORDIC processor 40 is done on a time-division-multiplexed basis, and provision is made for metering two functions at the same time. Responsive both to **cordic\_start** being high during the first word interval of each CORDIC instruction cycle and to a **load1\_sw** signal being high, an AND gate 68 generates a ONE output signal that directs the loading of the bit-serial indications of the function **digout1** into the bit-serial output register 60. Responsive both to **cordic\_start** being high during the first of each cycle of CORDIC instructions and to a **load2\_sw** signal being high, an AND gate 69 generates a ONE output signal that directs the loading of the bit-serial indications of the function **digout1** into the bit-serial output register 62.

Each of the pulse duration modulators 64 and 66 access a shared PDM counter (not specifically shown) which is a bit-serial counter included in the clock generator 100 and counts a modular number (e. g.,  $2^{15}$ ) of the 10 MHz oscillations of the crystal oscillator in the clock generator 100. The pulse duration modulator 64 includes a respective bit-serial comparator (not specifically shown) for comparing **digout1** in bit-serial form to the bit-serial count supplied from the PDM counter, thereby to generate its train of output pulses. Similarly, the pulse duration modulator 66 includes a respective bit-serial comparator (not specifically shown) for comparing **digout2** in bit-serial form to the bit-serial count supplied from the PDM counter, thereby to generate its train of output pulses. Two additional bits of resolution are afforded the PDM output signals by selectively generating, when the ten most significant bits of the **digout1** or **digout2** signal are determined to correspond to the PDM count, a ONE-valued signal of one-quarter, one-half, or three-quarter word duration depending on the eleventh and twelfth most significant bits of the **digout1** or **digout2** signal being 01, 10 or 11 respectively, rather than 00. The ONE-valued signal is used to extend the pulse duration defined by the bit-serial comparator response.

FIGURE 16 shows the PDM generator 66 connected for applying its pulses as a first input signal of a two-input exclusive\_OR gate 70, supplying **pdm2** output signal that corresponds to the pulses from the PDM generator 66 except when **load1\_sw** and **load2\_sw** signals are both high at the same time that **cordic\_start** pulses high. Under these conditions, **digout1** and **digout2** are the same, and the pulses put out by the PDM generators 64 and 66 are the same. A multiplexer 71 receptive of the output signals of the AND gates 68 and 69 receives two ONES as input signals and responds to supply a ONE as its output signal. The output signal of the multiplexer 71 is applied to the exclusive-OR gate 70 as its second input signal. The **pdm2** signal supplied from the exclusive-OR gate 70 is the complement of the pulses from the PDM generator 66. The PDM generators 64 and 66 are thus arranged for providing push-pull drive for a center-reading D'Arsonval meter. A single-bit-duration clocked delay 72 is connected to latch the output signal state of the multiplexer 71 when the output signal of the AND gate 68 returns to ZERO.

The **yout** or **zout** bit-serial output signal selected by the multiplexer 400 is applied as an input signal to the normalizer 39. As noted in the previous description of FIGURE 1, the normalizer circuit 39 cooperates with the CORDIC processor 40 to provide for the calculation of the further primitive function:

$$(e) \quad [\text{sign}(\text{oa2})] \cdot (\text{yin} - L)/M.$$

This function provides expanded scale readings on meters such as the meters 61, 63, 65 and 67 of FIGURE 1, by first translating meter zero by the constant **L** and by then scaling down the translated reading by the factor **M**. Since in power metering this function is invariably the last of a string of computations, the **yin** signal for the last of a string of computations is identical to the **yout** multiplexer 400 output signal for the next-to-last of the string of computations. **L** and **M** are constants in CORDIC program instructions from the PROM 9 as extracted by elements 98 and 984-986 of FIGURE 2 and supplied to the normalizer 39. A multiplexer 390 selects, as its output signal for application to the multiplexer 402, either the difference output signal from a subtractor 391 or the difference output signal from a subtractor 392. The **yout** signal furnished from the multiplexer 400 is subtracted from **L** in a subtractor 391, and **L** is subtracted from that **yout** signal in a subtractor 392. **M** is applied directly to the multiplexer 401 as an input signal thereto, to be used (in the last of a string of computations by the CORDIC processor 40) as an **xin** divisor for the (**yout** - **L**) dividend selected to processor 40 from the normalizer 39 by the mul-

tipler 402.

The polarity of **oa2**, **sign(oa2)**, is determined from the **oa2** bit serial data stored in the register 196, by sampling and holding bit 31 of **oa2** in sample-and-hold circuitry 394. The sampled and held **sign(oa2)** is applied from circuitry 394 to a two-input AND gate 395. The AND gate 395 receives as its other input signal a signal **sq\_sw** which is ZERO during all CORDIC computations except when it is desired to change the polarity of the final CORDIC output in accordance with **sign(oa2)** being negative. The AND gate 395 output signal is ZERO when the signal **sq\_sw** is a ZERO and is [**sign(oa2)**] when the signal **sq\_sw** is a ONE. An exclusive-OR gate 396 receives the AND gate 395 output signal and an **n\_sw** signal as input signals and supplies its output response to the multiplexer 390 to control its selection between the output signals from the subtractor 391 and the subtractor 392. The **n\_sw** signal is a signal that is high when one wishes to reverse the senses of the **digout1** and **pdm1** output signals, or the senses of the **digout2** and **pdm2** output signals. If the **n\_sw** signal is a ONE, the exclusive-OR gate 396 conditions the multiplexer 402 to select (**L - yout**) difference signal from the subtractor 391 for its output signal when the AND gate 395 output signal is a ZERO and to select (**yout - L**) difference signal from the subtractor 392 for its output signal when the AND gate 395 output signal is a ONE. If the **n\_sw** signal is a ZERO, the exclusive-OR gate 396 conditions the multiplexer 402 to select (**yout - L**) difference signal from the subtractor 392 for its output signal when the AND gate 395 output signal is a ZERO and to select (**L - yout**) difference signal from the subtractor 391 for its output signal when the AND gate 395 output signal is a ONE.

FIGURE 17 shows the format of the instructions for the CORDIC processor 40. These instructions have three major fields in them: a 9-bit field controlling argument and function selection in the CORDIC processor 40, a 7-bit field for loading and control flag signals, and a 16-bit field for CORDIC coefficients, or **RC-coef** values. The 7-bit field for loading and control flag signals comprises four single-bit loading signals: **f\_sw**, **ns\_sw**, **load1** corresponding to **load1\_sw** and **load2** corresponding to **load2\_sw**. The 7-bit field for loading and control flag signals also comprises three single-bit control signals: **sq\_sw** and **n\_sw** used by the normalizer 39 in FIGURE 16, and **inc** corresponding to the **cordic\_inc** signal applied to the AND gate 1010 in FIGURE 12 to control incrementation of the count in the CORDIC instruction counter 108. The 9-bit field controlling argument and function selection in the CORDIC processor 40 has a three-bit portion controlling the selection of **yin**, has another three-bit portion con-

trolling the selection of **xln**, and has still another three-bit portion controlling the function performed by the processor 40.

FIGURE 18 depicts representative argument and function coding in detail. **RC** is the result of the previous calculation by the processor 40 as supplied from the multiplexer 400 in FIGURE 16. **RC-coef** is the value of a current CORDIC coefficient, and **RC-coef<sub>-1</sub>** is the value of the CORDIC coefficient immediately preceding the current CORDIC coefficient.

FIGURE 19 diagrams the calculations performed by the processors 30 and 40 in the power meter i-c 5. One instruction for the multiply-add processor 30 is executed each 32-bit word sequentially time-division multiplexed into the processor 30 from the six-channel decimation filter 20. One complete cycle of sixty-four instructions for the multiply-add processor 30 is executed during the time each successive one of the instructions for the CORDIC processor 40 is executed. The time to execute one of the instructions for the CORDIC processor 40 is equal to the oversampling interval for the sigma-delta modulators 21-26.

An initial procedure is the linearization of the bit-serial digital representations of **v<sub>1</sub>**, **i<sub>1</sub>**, **v<sub>2</sub>**, **i<sub>2</sub>**, **v<sub>3</sub>** and **i<sub>3</sub>** supplied from the decimation filter 20 to compensate for non-linearities in the current transformers 11-16. The current transformers 11-16 and the scaling resistors used with them are mounted on a printed circuit board together with the power meter i-c 5, and during manufacture the entire printed circuit board assembly is tested as a unit to determine the coefficients of non-linearity associated with the current transformers 11-16, which are then written into the PROM 9 included in that assembly. The coefficients of non-linearity are used by the multiply-add processor 30 to perform respective third-order polynomial corrections of the bit-serial digital representations of **v<sub>1</sub>**, **i<sub>1</sub>**, **v<sub>2</sub>**, **i<sub>2</sub>**, **v<sub>3</sub>** and **i<sub>3</sub>** supplied from the decimation filter 20, which respective corrections are followed by respective high-pass filtering procedures to remove direct components resulting from offset errors in the sigma-delta modulators 21-26.

Referring now to the procedures diagrammed in FIGURE 19A, in each of the steps **LIN1**, **LIN3** and **LIN5**, a respective corrected value **v<sub>ck</sub>** of **v<sub>k</sub>** is computed by the multiply-add processor 30 for all samples of **v<sub>k</sub>**, using linearization coefficients **A<sub>k</sub>** and **B<sub>k</sub>** read from PROM 9 and a previously computed gain coefficient **Γ<sub>vk</sub>**, the computations being in accordance with the equation that follows.

$$V_{ck} = \{[(A_k \cdot v_k) + B_k]v_k + \Gamma_{vk}\}v_k \quad k = 1, 2, 3 \quad \text{Eq.(1)}$$

In each of the steps **LIN2**, **LIN4** and **LIN6**, a respective corrected value  $i_{ck}$  of  $i_k$  is computed by the multiply-add processor **30** for all samples of  $i_k$ , using linearization coefficients  $D_k$  and  $E_k$  read from PROM **9** and a previously computed gain coefficient  $\Gamma_{ik}$ , the computations being in accordance with the equation that follows.

$$i_{ck} = \{[(D_k \circ i_k) + E_k]i_k + \Gamma_{ik}\}i_k \quad k = 1,2,3 \quad \text{Eq.-(2)}$$

In each of the steps **HPF1**, **HPF3** and **HPF5** respectively following the steps **LIN1**, **LIN3** and **LIN5**, a respective high-pass filter response  $v_{hk}$  to  $v_{ck}$  is computed by the multiply-add processor **30** for all samples of  $v_{ck}$ , using a recursion coefficient  $P$  read thereto from PROM **9**, the computations being in accordance with the equation that follows, in which  $z^{-1}$  is the one-word delay operator for a 32-bit bit-serial word.

$$v_{hk} = v_{ck} - z^{-1}v_{ck} + P \circ z^{-1}v_{hk} \quad k = 1,2,3 \quad \text{Eq.(3)}$$

In each of the steps **HPF2**, **HPF4** and **HPF6** respectively following the steps **LIN2**, **LIN4** and **LIN6**, a respective high-pass filter response  $i_{hk}$  to  $i_{ck}$  is computed by the multiply-add processor **30** for all samples of  $i_{ck}$ , using a recursion coefficient  $Q$  read thereto from PROM **9**, the computations being in accordance with the equation that follows.

$$i_{hk} = i_{ck} - z^{-1}i_{ck} + Q \circ z^{-1}i_{hk} \quad k = 1,2,3 \quad \text{Eq.(4)}$$

As shown in FIGURE 19A the multiply-add processor **30** can square the  $v_{h1}$  high-pass filter response by multiplication with itself in a multiplication step **MULT1** and then subject the product to a low-pass filtering step **LPF1**. As shown in FIGURE 19B the bit-serial signal resulting from the low-pass filtering step **LPF1** is supplied to the CORDIC processor **40** as input signal for a square rooting step **SQRT1** that generates a bit-serial indication of the r-m-s voltage on the main conductor **1**.

As shown in FIGURE 19A the multiply-add processor **30** can square the  $i_{h1}$  high-pass filter response by multiplication with itself in a multiplication step **MULT2** and then subject the product to a low-pass filtering step **LPF2**. As shown in FIGURE 19B the bit-serial signal resulting from the low-pass filtering step **LPF2** is supplied to the CORDIC processor **40** as input signal for a square rooting step **SQRT2** that generates a bit-serial indication of the r-m-s current through the main conductor **1**.

As shown in FIGURE 19A the multiply-add processor **30** can square the  $v_{h2}$  high-pass filter response by multiplication with itself in a multiplication

step **MULT3** and then subject the product to a low-pass filtering step **LPF3**. As shown in FIGURE 19B the bit-serial signal resulting from the low-pass filtering step **LPF3** is supplied to the CORDIC processor **40** as input signal for a square rooting step **SQRT3** that generates a bit-serial indication of the r-m-s voltage on the main conductor **2**.

As shown in FIGURE 19A the multiply-add processor **30** can square the  $i_{h2}$  high-pass filter response by multiplication with itself in a multiplication step **MULT4** and then subject the product to a low-pass filtering step **LPF4**. As shown in FIGURE 19B the bit-serial signal resulting from the low-pass filtering step **LPF4** is supplied to the CORDIC processor **40** as input signal for a square rooting step **SQRT4** that generates a bit-serial indication of the r-m-s current through the main conductor **2**.

As shown in FIGURE 19A the multiply-add processor **30** can square the  $v_{h3}$  high-pass filter response by multiplication with itself in a multiplication step **MULT5** and then subject the product to a low-pass filtering step **LPF5**. As shown in FIGURE 19B the bit-serial signal resulting from the low-pass filtering step **LPF5** is supplied to the CORDIC processor **40** as input signal for a square rooting step **SQRT5** that generates a bit-serial indication of the r-m-s voltage on the main conductor **3**.

As shown in FIGURE 19A the multiply-add processor **30** can square the  $i_{h3}$  high-pass filter response by multiplication with itself in a multiplication step **MULT6** and then subject the product to a low-pass filtering step **LPF6**. As shown in FIGURE 19B the bit-serial signal resulting from the low-pass filtering step **LPF6** is supplied to the CORDIC processor **40** as input signal for a square rooting step **SQRT6** that generates a bit-serial indication of the r-m-s current through the main conductor **3**.

In a **SELECT** step shown in FIGURE 19B, any one of these r-m-s voltages and currents may be selected to appear as **digout1** output signal from the i-c **5**; and in another, subsequent or concurrent, **SELECT** step any one of these r-m-s voltages and currents may be selected to appear as **digout2** output signal from the i-c **5**. The FIGURE 19A processing done in the multiply-add processor **30** to implement the computation of the r-m-s voltages and currents for each of the phases is described in the following equations, wherein  $v_{sk}$  is read as "the square of the high-pass filtered linearized phase-k voltage  $v_{hk}$ " and wherein  $i_{sk}$  is read as "the square of the high-pass filtered linearized phase-k current  $i_{hk}$ ".

$$V_{sk} = v_{hk} \circ v_{hk} \quad \text{Eq.(5)}$$

$$I_{sk} = i_{hk} \circ i_{hk} \quad \text{Eq.(6)}$$

As shown in FIGURE 19A, the multiply-add



processor 30 can phase shift each of the high-pass filter responses  $v_{h1}$ ,  $v_{h2}$  and  $v_{h3}$  each by ninety degrees in all-pass filter steps **APF1**, **APF2** and **APF3**, respectively, to generate phase-shifted high-pass filter responses  $v_{p1}$ ,  $v_{p2}$  and  $v_{p3}$  in accordance with the following equation.

$$v_{pk} = z^{-1}v_{hk} + \alpha (z^{-1}v_{pk} - v_{hk}) \quad k = 1, 2, 3 \quad \text{Eq. (7)}$$

As shown in FIGURE 19A, the multiply-add processor 30 can in respective interpolation (phase shift) filter steps **PSF1**, **PSF2** and **PSF3** phase shift each of the high-pass filter responses  $i_{h1}$ ,  $i_{h2}$  and  $i_{h3}$  by the number of degrees needed to compensate for phase differences in the secondary voltages of the current transformers 11, 12 and 13, respectively, as compared to the secondary voltages of the current transformers 14, 15 and 16, respectively. The interpolation filter steps **PSF1**, **PSF2** and **PSF3** generate phase-shifted high-pass filter responses  $i_{p1}$ ,  $i_{p2}$  and  $i_{p3}$  in accordance with the following equation.

$$i_{pk} = i_{hk} + \delta_k (z^{-1}i_{hk} - i_{hk}) \quad k = 1, 2, 3 \quad \text{Eq. (8)}$$

These calculations are normally carried out in a  $v_{p1}$ ,  $v_{p2}$ ,  $v_{p3}$ ,  $i_{p1}$ ,  $i_{p2}$ ,  $i_{p3}$  sequence, using the program data RAM 6 for temporarily storing the results of these computations.

As shown in FIGURE 19A, the multiply-add processor 30 can multiply  $v_{h1}$  by  $i_{p1}$  in a multiplication step **MULT7** to calculate first-phase real power and temporarily store the result, multiply  $v_{h2}$  by  $i_{p2}$  in a multiplication step **MULT8** to calculate second-phase real power and temporarily store the result, multiply  $v_{h3}$  by  $i_{p3}$  in a multiplication step **MULT9** to calculate third-phase real power, add to the third-phase real power component the temporarily stored first- and second-phase real power components in an addition step **ADD1** to generate a bit-serial sum signal  $p_s$ , in accordance with the following equation.

$$p_s = (v_{h1} \cdot i_{p1}) + (v_{h2} \cdot i_{p2}) + (v_{h3} \cdot i_{p3}) \quad \text{Eq. (9)}$$

The multiply-add processor 30 can then subject that sum signal  $p_s$  to a low-pass filtering step **LPF7** to generate an indication of the average real power flowing in the main conductors 1, 2 and 3.

As shown in FIGURE 19A, the multiply-add processor 30 can multiply  $v_{p1}$  by  $i_{p1}$  in a multiplication step **MULT10** to calculate first-phase reactive power and temporarily store the result, multiply  $v_{p2}$  by  $i_{p2}$  in a multiplication step **MULT11** to calculate second-phase reactive power and temporarily store the result, multiply  $v_{p3}$  by  $i_{p3}$  in a multiplication

step **MULT12** to calculate third-phase reactive power, add to the third-phase real power component the temporarily stored first- and second-phase reactive power components in an addition step **ADD2** to generate a bit-serial sum signal  $q_s$ , in accordance with the following equation.

$$q_s = (v_{p1} \cdot i_{p1}) + (v_{p2} \cdot i_{p2}) + (v_{p3} \cdot i_{p3}) \quad \text{Eq. (10)}$$

The multiply-add processor 30 can then subject that sum signal  $q_s$  to a low-pass filtering step **LPF8** to generate an indication of the average reactive power flowing in the main conductors 1, 2 and 3.

In a **SELECT** step shown in FIGURE 19B, the indications of the real power **P** and of the reactive power **Q** flowing in the main conductors may be selected to appear as **digout1** and as **digout2** output signals from the i-c 5.

Alternatively, as shown in FIGURE 19B, the indications of the real power and of the reactive power may be used by the CORDIC processor 40 in an **ARCTAN** step to calculate power factor angle  $\theta$  and in an **RMS** step to calculate the square root of the sum of their squares, thus to compute the "apparent" r-m-s volt-amperes **VA** to which the main conductors 1, 2 and 3 are subjected. In another alternative operation shown in FIGURE 19B, the CORDIC processor 40 in a step **P/VA** may calculate the cosine of the power factor angle  $\theta$ , with or without the sign of the reactive power **Q** as determined by stripping its sign bit in the step **sgn(Q)**, and its versine complement as determined by the step **1-x**.

Certain of the calibration coefficients are frequency-dependent. Since the printed circuit board assembly may be used in 50, 60 or 400 Hz power metering, a preliminary procedure is the determination of the frequency of the power being metered. This preliminary procedure is carried out later in the serial execution of instructions for the multiply-add processor 30 than the steps outlined above in connection with equations 1-10, however, and the results saved over in RAM 6 for use in executing the next cycle of multiply-add processor 30 instructions. This is generally satisfactory since variations in power line frequency tend to be very slow.

The correctness or non-correctness of the third-order polynomial linearization does not affect frequency determination in any case, and as shown in FIGURE 19A the zero-crossing detector 36 performs a **ZCD** step to generate zero-crossing indications for any selected one  $s_{hk}$  of the high-pass-filter responses  $i_{h1}$ ,  $i_{h2}$ ,  $i_{h3}$ ,  $v_{h1}$ ,  $v_{h2}$  and  $v_{h3}$ . These zero-crossing indications are subjected to a step **LPF0** of low-pass filtering by the multiply-add processor 30, as described by the following equation.

$$f_a = z^{-1}f_a + \beta_{wt} \cdot zcd(R, s_{hk}) \quad \text{Eq.(11)}$$

The  $zcd(R, s_{hk})$  response of the zero-crossing detector 36 is a function only of  $s_{hk}$  if  $s_{hk}$  has a frequency that is smaller than a prescribed maximum  $1/2R$ , where  $R$  is a prescribed minimum time between zero crossings, as read from PROM 9.  $R$  and  $s_{hk}$  are applied to the  $ZCT$  and  $s_{hk}$  inputs, respectively, of the zero-crossing detector 36. If the frequency of  $s_{hk}$  exceeds  $1/2R$ , the zero-crossing detector 36 will produce pulses corresponding to the highest frequency subharmonic of the signal frequency which is less than  $1/2R$ . The accumulated filter response  $f_a$  is supplied to the CORDIC processor 40, which divides  $f_a$  by  $4n_s$ , then divides the quotient by  $4n_s$ , thereby to compute the frequency  $f$  of the zero-crossing indications in accordance with the following equation.

$$f = f_a / 4n_s / 4n_s \quad \text{Eq. (12)}$$

The value  $f$  is written into the register 192 for subsequent use in the multiply-add processor.

After the value  $f$  in the register 192 is updated, the frequency-dependent gain coefficients  $\Gamma_{vk}$  are computed by the multiply-add processor 30, in accordance with the equation that follows, proceeding from  $f$  read to the multiply-add processor 30 from the register 192 and from frequency-independent constants  $C_{0k}$  and  $C_{1k}$  read to the multiply-add processor 30 from PROM 9.

$$\Gamma_{vk} = C_{0k} + f \cdot C_{1k} \quad \text{Eq.(13)}$$

The results of computing  $\Gamma_{v1}$ ,  $\Gamma_{v2}$  and  $\Gamma_{v3}$  are subsequently used on all samples of  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$  and  $v_3$ , respectively, in connection with the linearization of samples from current transformers 14, 15 and 16, respectively.

After the value  $f$  in the register 192 is updated, the frequency-dependent coefficients of non-linearity,  $\Gamma_{ik}$ , are computed by the multiply-add processor 30, in accordance with the equation that follows, proceeding from  $f$  read to the multiply-add processor 30 from the register 192 and from frequency-independent constants  $F_{0k}$  and  $F_{1k}$  read to the multiply-add processor 30 from PROM 9.

$$\Gamma_{ik} = F_{0k} + f \cdot F_{1k} \quad \text{Eq.(14)}$$

The results of computing  $\Gamma_{i1}$ ,  $\Gamma_{i2}$  and  $\Gamma_{i3}$  are subsequently used on all samples of  $i_1$ ,  $i_2$  and  $i_3$ , respectively, in connection with the gain correction of samples from current transformers 11, 12 and 13, respectively.

After the value  $f$  in the register 192 is updated, a frequency-dependent interpolation coefficient,  $\delta_k$ ,

is computed by the multiply-add processor 30, in accordance with the equation that follows, proceeding from  $f$  read to the multiply-add processor 30 from the register 192 and from frequency-independent constants  $H_k$  and  $G_k$  read to the multiply-add processor 30 from PROM 9.

$$\delta_k = H_k + f \cdot G_k \quad \text{Eq.(15)}$$

The results of computing  $\delta_1$ ,  $\delta_2$  and  $\delta_3$  are subsequently used to correct the phase of current samples originating from current transformers 11-13 vis-a-vis voltage samples originating from current transformers 14-16.

After the value  $f$  in the register 192 is updated, a frequency-dependent all-pass filter coefficient,  $\alpha$ , is computed by the multiply-add processor 30, in accordance with the equation that follows, proceeding from  $f$  read to the multiply-add processor 30 from the register 192 and from frequency-independent constants  $J$  and  $K$  read to the multiply-add processor 30 from the PROM 9.

$$\alpha = J + f \cdot K \quad \text{Eq.(16)}$$

The result of computing  $\alpha$  is subsequently used in phase shifting "sinusoidal" voltages by ninety degrees in all-pass filtering implemented by the multiply-add processor 30.  $J$  and  $K$  are computed to provide a precise 90-degree phase-shift for 50 Hz and 60 Hz signals.

After the value  $f$  in the register 192 is updated, the multiply-add processor 30 executes an instruction in which the value  $f$  read from the register 192 and a value  $T$  read from prom 9 are multiplied together and the binary fraction portion of the resulting product is discarded in a rounding down operation termed "floor", to determine a parameter  $n_p$ , as expressed in the following equation.

$$n_p = \text{floor}(T \cdot f) \quad \text{Eq.(17)}$$

The value  $T$  is one-half the maximum time duration permitted between pulses of `update_nb` and therefore corresponds to one-half the maximum time between updated i-c 5 output signals, and  $n_p$  is the largest number of complete signal cycles that can be fitted within this time duration. The value  $n_p$  is written into the register 193, so as to be available to the CORDIC processor 40. The CORDIC processor 40 subsequently computes the number of samples  $n_s$  in each sawtooth of a sawtooth generator in the triangular coefficient generator 37, the computation being done in accordance with the following equation.

$$n_s = \text{floor}(n_p / f) \quad \text{Eq.(18)}$$

The value  $n_s$  is written into the register 194, so as to be available to the multiply-add processor 30 by the time it is needed by the low-pass filtering procedures already in progress.

Low-pass filter ing steps LPF1 through LPF8 are carried out using the extended precision mode of the multiply-add processor 30 and the narrow-band sinc<sup>2</sup> FIR filter coefficients generated by the triangular coefficient generator 37. Each filtering operation therefore requires two instructions. During the first instruction, the **XP** flag is set to ONE,  $\beta_{nb}$  is selected to **coef\_in**, the signal being filtered is selected to **data\_in**, the least-significant word of the associated accumulator is selected from RAM 6 to **acc\_in**, and the result is written back to RAM 6 to update the least-significant word of the accumulator. During the second instruction, the **XP** flag is restored in ZERO,  $\beta_{nb}$  is again selected to **coef\_in**, the signal being filtered is again selected to **data\_in**, the most-significant word of the associated accumulator is selected from RAM 6, and the result is added to the carry from the first instruction as has been previously described and written back to RAM 6 to update the most-significant word of the accumulator. Below, this two instruction sequence is represented by function **xp()** to describe the computation of LPF1 through LPF8.

$$v_{ak} = xp(z^{-1}v_{ak} + \beta_{wb} \cdot v_{sk}) \quad \text{Eq.(19)}$$

$$i_{ak} = xp(z^{-1}i_{ak} + \beta_{nb} \cdot i_{sk}) \quad \text{Eq.(20)}$$

$$p_a = xp(z^{-1}p_a + \beta_{nb} \cdot p_s) \quad \text{Eq.(21)}$$

$$q_a = xp(z^{-1}q_a + \beta_{nb} \cdot q_s) \quad \text{Eq.(22)}$$

In actuality, the SELECT operation shown in Figure 19B is implemented by specifying the computation of only the desired two functions in the MAP and CORDIC programs. Computation not required to form the desired two outputs is not carried forward, and the MAP 30 has been designed to have only enough memory and computing speed for the most demanding combination of functions: real three-phase power **P** and reactive three-phase power **Q**.

FIGURE 20 shows in greater detail the analog reference generator 18. Power meter i-c 5 receives  $V_{ss}$  and  $V_{dd}$  power supply voltages that are zero and +5 volts, respectively. A potential divider 180 comprises a series string of "diodes" 181, 182, 183 and 184 which "diodes" comprise respective self-biased enhancement-mode metal-oxide-semiconductor (MOS) field-effect transistors of identical geometry and channel type. An operational amplifier 185 constructed from MOS field-effect transistors is connected as a voltage-follower to supply a refer-

ence voltage  $V_{ref} = V_{ss} + (1/4)(V_{dd} - V_{ss})$  from low source impedance. Another operational amplifier 186 constructed from MOS field-effect transistors is connected as a voltage-follower to supply a voltage  $AGND = V_{ss} + (1/2)(V_{dd} - V_{ss})$  from low source impedance to the secondary windings of current-sensing transformers 11, 12 and 13 and to the secondary windings of voltage-sensing transformers 14, 15 and 16. The sigma-delta modulators 21-26 use the  $V_{ref}$  and  $AGND$  signals in the digital-to-analog inverters included in their respective feedback connections. The sigma-delta modulators 21-26 preferably are differential input types as described in U.S. patent No. 4,896,156 using  $V_{ref}$  and  $AGND$  as push- analog feedback signals for one digital output bit condition and  $AGND$  and  $V_{ref}$  (in reversed order) as push-pull analog feedback signals for the other digital output bit condition.

In FIGURE 1 the magnitude of the digital signal supplied from the six-channel decimation filter 20 varies in inverse proportion to increase in  $(V_{dd} - V_{ss})$  owing to the action of the sigma-delta modulators 21-26. The amplitude of the pulse duration modulators 43 and 44 varies in direct proportion to  $(V_{dd} - V_{ss})$ , supposing them to receive  $V_{ss}$  and  $V_{dd}$  as power supply voltages. These effects combine to make independent of minor  $(V_{dd} - V_{ss})$  variations the readings of meters with D'Arsonval movements power from the **pdm1** and **pdm2** output voltages with regard to voltages or currents appearing on the main conductors 1, 2 and 3. Furthermore, the **digout1** and **digout2** signals when measuring the ratio of two voltages, the ratio of two currents, power factors or frequency have magnitudes independent of  $(V_{dd} - V_{ss})$  variations. Accordingly, accurate readings of voltages, currents, voltage ratios, current ratios, power factor and frequency can be obtained even with relatively poor regulation of the power supply voltage  $(V_{dd} - V_{ss})$  for the power meter i-c 5. In other circumstances the  $(V_{dd} - V_{ss})$  power supply voltage for the i-c 5 have to be more carefully regulated.

The FIGURE 21 alternative power metering system uses a monolithic integrated circuit 5' that does not have a CORDIC processor therewithin. FIGURE 22 diagrams the thirty-two bit makeup of each of the program instructions. In the FIGURE 22 program instructions there are the following fields:

- 1) a field for **read\_0** address for the RAM 6;
- 2) a field for **read\_1** address for the RAM 6;
- 3) a field for **C** digital filter coefficient data;
- 4) a field for **wrte** address for the RAM 6;
- 5) a field for control bits for the data multiplexer 45;
- 6) a field for control bits for the coefficient multiplexer 46;
- 7) a field for control bits for the accumulator multiplexer 47; and

8) a field for flag bits, such as the flag bits **WRO**, **FA**, **OA1**, **OA2**, **NP**, **XP** and **EZ**.

The monolithic integrated circuit 5' of the FIGURE 21 alternative power metering system includes further sigma-delta modulators 27 and 28. The sigma-delta modulator 27 is included in the first bank of sigma-delta modulators and senses via a current transformer 17 current flow of a neutral conductor 4 included among the three-phase conductors 1, 2 and 3. The sigma-delta modulator 28 is included in the second bank of sigma-delta modulators and is shown connected for digitizing a temperature-dependent voltage as generated by a band-gap reference voltage generator 10 that senses temperature within the monolithic integrated circuit 5'. This internal chip temperature depends on an ambient temperature that the monolithic integrated circuit 5' shares with the current transformers 11-17, so the internal chip temperature indirectly measures the temperatures of the current transformers 11-17, permitting taking their temperatures into account when calculating linearization coefficients for the current transformers 11-17. To accommodate calculation on a four-word cycle, rather than the three-word cycle used in the FIGURE 1 power metering system, the six-channel decimation filter 20 of FIGURE 1 is replaced by an eight-channel decimation filter 20', and the multiply-add processor 30 of FIGURE 1 is replaced by a multiply-add processor 30' that has four (rather than three) words of delay after the multiply-add function is completed.

RAM control circuitry 35', in addition to controlling the reading of program data RAM 6 to the multiply-add processor 30' via the parallel-in/serial-out registers 33 and 34, controls the reading of a coefficient RAM 7 via one of the PISO registers 33 and 34, depending on the value of the **read0** and **read1** addresses. The RAM control circuitry 35' also controls the writing of the program data RAM 6 or a data buffer RAM 8, which writing is done via the serial-in/parallel-out register 32 and a read/write bus shared by memories 6, 7 and 8. An off-chip system controller 200 directs writing of the coefficient RAM 7 via this shared read/write bus and also directs reading of the data buffer RAM 8 to a further processor 300 under its control via this shared read/write bus. For example, the further processor 300 may perform functions similar to those performed by the CORDIC processor 40 of the FIGURE 1 power metering system, but carry them out in bit-parallel digital signal format.

One skilled in the art will be enabled by the reading of the foregoing disclosure to design many data acquisition circuits embodying the invention, some of which will be used in fields such as engine control that are outside the field of power metering; and this should be borne in mind when construing

the scope of the claims which follow.

# Claims

1. A monolithic integrated circuit having disposed therewithin:
  - a bit-serial multiply-add processor, including
  - a bit-serial digital multiplier for multiplying a first digital processor input signal in bit serial format by a second digital processor input signal to generate a bit-serial product signal, and including
  - a bit-serial digital adder for adding a third digital processor input signal in bit-serial format to said bit-serial product signal to generate a bit-serial sum signal;
  - an on-chip memory;
  - means for reading during each of first selected times stored information from a then currently selected location in said on-chip memory to generate one of said first, second and third digital processor input signals;
  - means for reading during each of second selected times stored information from a then currently selected location in said on-chip memory to generate another of said first, second and third digital processor input signals;
  - means for writing during each of third selected times a then currently selected location within said on-chip memory with information corresponding to said bit-serial sum signal.
2. A monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said second digital processor input signal is in bit-serial format.
3. A monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 1 having disposed therewithin:
  - analog-to-digital converter means for converting an analog input signal supplied to said integrated circuit to a respective bit-serial analog-to-digital conversion result; and
  - means for applying said analog-to-digital conversion result as said first digital processor input signal at times other than when said first digital processor input signal is obtained from said means for reading stored information from a selected location within said on-chip memory.
4. A monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 1 having disposed therewithin:
  - analog-to-digital converter means for converting a plurality of analog input signals, as supplied to said integrated circuit, each to a respective bit-serial analog-to-digital conversion result;

means for applying at least selected ones of said analog-to-digital conversion results as said first digital processor input signal at times other than when said first digital processor input signal is obtained from said means for reading stored information from a selected location within said on-chip memory.

5. A monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 4 including therewithin:
  - a bank of registers for temporarily storing at least two successive bit-serial sum signals from said multiply-add processor
  - a further digital processor for processing temporarily stored signals read from said bank of registers to generate digital output signals by a successive approximation procedure.
6. A monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 5 in combination with:
  - a digital meter for displaying the value of said digital output signals.
7. A monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 5 including therewithin:
  - a pulse duration modulator for generating regularly recurring pulses having durations determined in response to said digital output signals.
8. A monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 7 in combination with:
  - a meter with D' Arsonval movement for measuring the average intensity of said electric pulses.
9. A monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 1 including therewithin:
  - a bank of registers for temporarily storing at least two successive bit-serial sum signals from said multiply-add processor;
  - a further digital processor for processing temporarily stored signals read from said bank of registers to generate digital output signals by a successive approximation procedure.
10. A monolithic integrated circuit having disposed therewithin:
  - a bit-serial multiply-add processor, including
  - a bit-serial digital multiplier for multiplying a first bit-serial processor input signal by a second bit-serial processor input signal to generate a bit-serial product signal, and including
  - a bit-serial digital adder for adding a third bit-serial processor input signal to said bit-serial product signal to generate a bit-serial digital sum signal, and including

means for supplying a digital processor output signal with bits corresponding to those of said bit-serial sum signal;

a first multiplexer for supplying said first bit-serial processor input signal responsive to a selected one of a plurality of respective bit-serial input signals to said first multiplexer, including said bit-serial sum signal;

a second multiplexer for supplying said second digital processor input signal responsive to a selected one of a plurality of respective bit-serial input signals to said first multiplexer, including said bit-serial sum signal;

a third multiplexer for supplying said third digital processor input signal responsive to a selected one of a plurality of respective bit-serial input signals to said first multiplexer, including said bit-serial sum signal;

an on-chip memory;

means for reading during each of first selected times stored information from a then currently selected location within said on-chip memory to said first, second and third multiplexers as respective bit-serial input signals thereto;

means for reading during each of second selected times stored information from a then currently selected location within said on-chip memory to said first, second and third multiplexers as respective input signals thereto; and

means for writing during each of third selected times said digital processor output signal to a then currently selected location within said on-chip memory.

11. A monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 10 having disposed therewithin:
  - analog-to-digital converter means for converting a plurality of analog input signals, as supplied to said integrated circuit, each to a respective bit-serial analog-to-digital conversion result;
  - means for applying at least selected ones of said analog-to-digital conversion results, on a time-division multiplex basis, to said first multiplexer as one of its said input signals.
12. A combination including a monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 10 together with:
  - a read-only memory for storing program instructions and for storing successive coefficient values, said monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 10 further including:
  - controller means for retrieving stored program instructions in a prescribed order from said read-only memory and for generating con-

trol signals for controlling the reading and writing of said on-chip memory, the selecting of said first processor input signal by said first multiplexer, the selecting of said second processor input signal by said second multiplexer and the selecting of said third processor input signal by said third multiplexer.

13. A monolithic integrated circuit as set forth in Claim 10 wherein said on-chip memory is of a type into which parallel-bit memory input signal is written and from which parallel-bit memory output signal is read; wherein said means for supplying a digital processor output signal includes a serial-in/parallel-out register receptive of said bit-serial sum signal; wherein said means for reading during each of first selected times stored information from a then currently selected location in said on-chip memory includes a first parallel-in/serial-out register for converting said parallel-bit memory output signal to bit-serial input signal for application to said first, second and third multiplexers as respective bit-serial input signals thereto; and wherein said means for reading during each of second selected times stored information from a then currently selected location in said on-chip memory includes a second parallel-in/serial-out register for converting said parallel-bit memory output signal to bit-serial input signal for application to said first, second and third multiplexers as respective bit-serial input signals thereto.

14. In combination with a plurality of sensors for generating respective sensor output signals, a monolithic integrated circuit having disposed therewithin:

a bit-serial multiply-add processor, including

a bit-serial digital multiplier for multiplying a first bit-serial processor input signal by a second bit-serial processor input signal to generate a bit-serial product signal, and including

a bit-serial digital adder for adding a third bit-serial processor input signal to said bit-serial product signal to generate a bit-serial digital sum signal, and including

means for supplying a digital processor output signal with bits corresponding to those of said bit-serial sum signal;

a first multiplexer for supplying said first bit-serial processor input signal responsive to a selected one of a plurality of respective bit-serial input signals to said first multiplexer, including said bit-serial sum signal;

a second multiplexer for supplying said second digital processor input signal respon-

sive to a selected one of a plurality of respective bit-serial input signals to said first multiplexer, including said bit-serial sum signal;

a third multiplexer for supplying said third digital processor input signal responsive to a selected one of a plurality of respective bit-serial input signals to said first multiplexer, including said bit-serial sum signal;

an on-chip memory;

means for reading during each of first selected times stored information from a then currently selected location within said on-chip memory to said first, second and third multiplexers as respective bit-serial input signals thereto;

means for reading during each of second selected times stored information from a then currently selected location within said on-chip memory to said first, second and third multiplexers as respective input signals thereto;

means for writing during each of third selected times said digital processor output signal to a then currently selected location within said on-chip memory;

analog-to-digital converter means for converting said sensor output signals, as supplied to said integrated circuit, each to a respective bit-serial analog-to-digital conversion result; and

means for applying at least selected ones of said analog-to-digital conversion results, on a time-division multiplex basis, to said first multiplexer as one of its said input signals.

15. A combination as set forth in Claim 14 wherein said sensors are arranged for sensing respective electrical parameters associated with a set of electric power lines.

16. A combination as set forth in Claim 15 wherein said set of electric power lines has a plurality of phases.

17. A combination as set forth in Claim 15 wherein said monolithic integrated circuit includes therewithin:

a bank of registers for temporarily storing at least two successive bit-serial sum signals from said multiply-add processor;

a further digital processor for processing temporarily stored signals read from said bank of registers to generate digital output signals by a successive approximation procedure.

18. A combination as set forth in Claim 17 wherein said sensors are arranged for sensing the current in each phase of a set of electric power lines.

19. A combination as set forth in Claim 18 including:

a read-only memory, for storing program instructions to instruct said multiply-add processor to correct errors in phase current samples and to instruct said multiply-add processor and further digital processor in the calculation of the r-m-s phase currents, and for storing coefficient values including those indicative of errors arising in said sensors or said analog-to-digital converter means; and

controller means, included within said monolithic integrated circuit, for retrieving stored program instructions in a prescribed order from said read-only memory and for generating control signals for controlling the reading and writing of said on-chip memory, the selecting of said first processor input signal by said first multiplexer, the selecting of said second processor input signal by said second multiplexer and the selecting of said third processor input signal by said third multiplexer.

20. A combination as set forth in Claim 19 including therewithin:

a pulse duration modulator for generating regularly recurring pulses having durations determined in response to said digital output signals; and

a meter with D' Arsonval movement for measuring the average intensity of said electric pulses.

21. A combination as set forth in Claim 17 wherein said sensors are arranged for sensing the voltage across each said phase of said set of electric power lines.

22. A combination as set forth in Claim 21 including:

a read-only memory for storing program instructions to instruct said multiply-add processor to correct errors in phase voltage samples and to instruct said multiply-add processor and further digital processor in the calculation of the r-m-s phase voltages, and for storing coefficient values including those indicative of errors arising in said sensors or said analog-to-digital converter means; and

controller means, included within said monolithic integrated circuit, for retrieving stored program instructions in a prescribed order from said read-only memory and for generating control signals for controlling the reading and writing of said on-chip memory, the selecting of said first processor input signal by said first multiplexer, the selecting of said second processor input signal by said second mul-

tiplexer and the selecting of said third processor input signal by said third multiplexer.

23. A combination as set forth in Claim 22 including therewithin:

a pulse duration modulator for generating regularly recurring pulses having durations determined in response to said digital output signals; and

a meter with D' Arsonval movement for measuring the average intensity of said electric pulses.

24. A combination as set forth in Claim 17 wherein said sensors are arranged for sensing the current in at least a first phase of a set of electric power lines and for sensing the voltage across at least said first phase of said set of electric power lines.

25. A combination as set forth in Claim 24 including:

a read-only memory, for storing program instructions for instructing said multiply-add processor correct errors in current and voltage samples for each phase and to instruct said multiply-add processor and further digital processor in the calculation of the power for at least said first phase, and for storing coefficient values including those indicative of errors arising in said sensors or said analog-to-digital converter means; and

controller means, included within said monolithic integrated circuit, for retrieving stored program instructions in a prescribed order from said read-only memory and for generating control signals for controlling the reading and writing of said on-chip memory, the selecting of said first processor input signal by said first multiplexer, the selecting of said second processor input signal by said second multiplexer and the selecting of said third processor input signal by said third multiplexer.

26. A combination as set forth in Claim 25 wherein said set of electric power lines has plural phases; wherein there is included means for sensing the current and voltage of each of said plural phases; and wherein said read-only memory stores program instructions for instructing said multiply-add processor and further digital processor in the calculation of the total power for all of said plural phases of said set of electric power lines.

27. A combination as set forth in Claim 26 including therewithin:

apparatus for providing a digital-readout of

the total power for all of said plural phases of said set of electric power lines to a human observer.

28. A combination as set forth in Claim 24 including:

a read-only memory, for storing program instructions for instructing said multiply-add processor to correct errors in current and voltage samples for each phase and to instruct said multiply-add processor and further digital processor in the calculation of the reactive power or vars for each phase, and for storing coefficient values including those indicative of errors arising in said sensors or said analog-to-digital converter means; and

controller means, included within said monolithic integrated circuit, for retrieving stored program instructions in a prescribed order from said read-only memory and for generating control signals for controlling the reading and writing of said on-chip memory, the selecting of said first processor input signal by said first multiplexer, the selecting of said second processor input signal by said second multiplexer and the selecting of said third processor input signal by said third multiplexer.

29. A combination as set forth in Claim 28 wherein said set of electric power lines has plural phases; wherein there is included means for sensing the current and voltage of each of said plural phases; and wherein said read-only memory stores program instructions for instructing said multiply-add processor and further digital processor in the calculation of the total reactive power or vars for all of said plural phases of said set of electric power lines.

30. A combination as set forth in Claim 29 including therewithin:

apparatus for providing a digital-readout of the total reactive power or vars for all of said plural phases of said set of electric power lines to a human observer.

31. A combination as set forth in Claim 24 including:

a read-only memory, for storing program instructions for instructing said multiply-add processor to linearize current and voltage samples for each phase, for storing program instructions for instructing said multiply-add processor and further digital processor to calculate r-m-s current and voltage for each phase, for storing program instructions for instructing said further digital processor to calculate the power factor for each phase, and for

storing coefficient values including those indicative of errors arising in said sensors or said analog-to-digital converter means; and

controller means, included within said monolithic integrated circuit, for retrieving stored program instructions in a prescribed order from said read-only memory and for generating control signals for controlling the reading and writing of said on-chip memory, the selecting of said first processor input signal by said first multiplexer, the selecting of said second processor input signal by said second multiplexer and the selecting of said third processor input signal by said third multiplexer.

32. A combination as set forth in Claim 31 including therewithin:

apparatus for providing a digital-readout of the power factor to a human observer.

33. Apparatus for metering an analog voltage, which apparatus comprises:

means for supplying a power supply voltage;

a sigma-delta analog-to-digital converter powered from said means for supplying a power supply voltage and arranged to provide first digital indications of signal intensity responsive to said analog voltage as manifested in electric signal form, which said first digital indications are of a signal intensity also inversely proportional to said power supply voltage;

a pulse-duration modulator powered from said means for supplying a power supply voltage and arranged to provide electric pulses responsive to second digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form, which said electric pulses are of a magnitude directly proportional both to said second digital indications of signal intensity and to said power supply voltage;

digital processing circuitry for generating said second digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form responsive to said first digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form; and

a meter with D' Arsonval movement for measuring the intensity of said electric pulses.

34. Apparatus as set forth in Claim 33 wherein said digital processing circuitry for generating said second digital indications responsive to said first digital indications comprises:

digital processing apparatus for generating said second digital indications with an intensity that is the root-mean-square of the intensity of said first digital indications.



35. Apparatus as set forth in Claim 33 wherein said digital processing circuitry for generating said second digital indications responsive to said first digital indications comprises:

a multiply-add digital processor connected to receive said first digital indications as an input signal and programmed to generate third digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form indicating a signal intensity that is the square of the signal intensity indicated by said first digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form; and

a further digital processor connected to receive said third digital indications as an input signal and programmed to generate said second digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form indicating a signal intensity that is the square root of the signal intensity indicated by said third digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form.

36. Apparatus as set forth in Claim 33 wherein said digital processing circuitry for generating said second digital indications responsive to said first digital indications comprises:

a bit-serial multiply-add digital processor connected to receive said first digital indications as an input signal and programmed to generate third digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form indicating a signal intensity that is the square of the signal intensity indicated by said first digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form; and

a further digital processor connected to receive said third digital indications as an input signal and programmed to generate said second digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form indicating a signal intensity that is the square root of the signal intensity indicated by said third digital indications of signal intensity manifested in electric signal form.

37. A memory storing a set of instructions for application in electric signal form to a monolithic integrated-circuit having therewithin: a bit-serial multiply-add processor, including a bit-serial multiplier for multiplying a data input signal by a coefficient input signal to generate a product signal, and including a bit-serial adder for adding an accumulator input signal to said product signal to generate a sum signal; a first multiplexer for selecting said data input signal to said bit-serial multiply-add processor; a second multiplexer for selecting said coefficient

input signal to said bit-serial multiply-add processor; a third multiplexer for selecting said accumulator input signal to said bit-serial multiply-add processor; a banked random access memory having a first bank and a second bank; means for reading from said random access memory to each of said first and said second and said third multiplexers; means for selectively writing the sum signal from said bit-serial multiply-add processor to the first and second banks of said random access memory; and means responsive to flag bits for controlling the operation of said bit-serial multiply-add processor and circuitry connected therewith -- each instruction in said set of instructions comprising:

- 1) a field for a read address for the first bank of said random access memory;
- 2) a field for a read address for the second bank of said random access memory;
- 3) a field for digital filter coefficient data to be supplied as an input signal to said second multiplexer;
- 4) a field for a write address for said random access memory;
- 5) a field for control bits for said first multiplexer;
- 6) a field for control bits for said second multiplexer;
- 7) a field for control bits for said third multiplexer; and
- 8) a field for said flag bits.

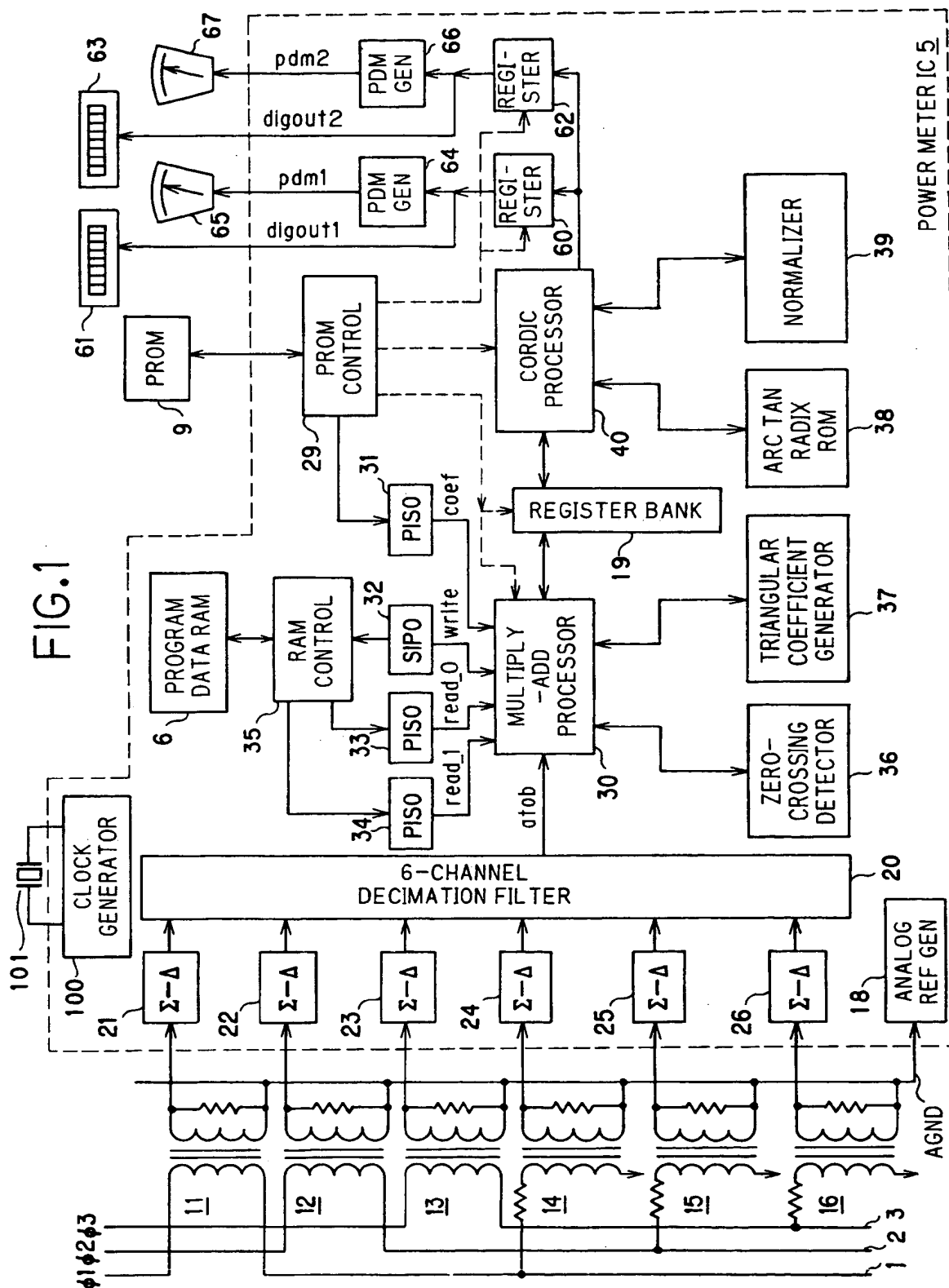


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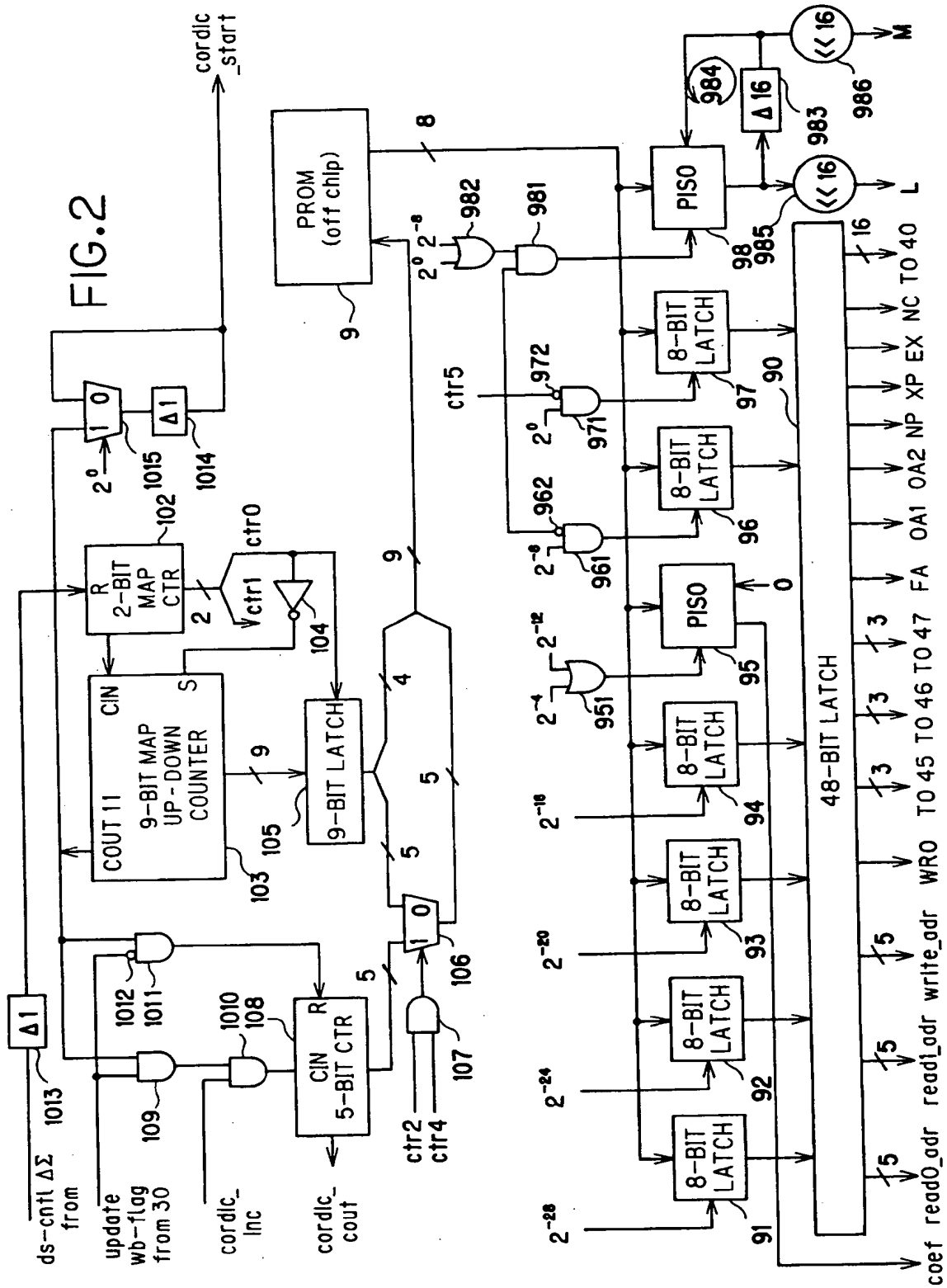


FIG. 3

8-BYTE UNIT  
(BLOCK)  
ADDRESSED  
WHEN BIT 3  
OF PROM 9  
ADDRESS IS 0

8-BYTE UNIT  
(BLOCK)  
ADDRESSED  
WHEN BIT 3  
OF PROM 9  
ADDRESS IS 1

MSB	LSB		LSBs PROM9 ADDRESS
READ1 (3)	READ0 (5)		MAP ADR 0000
WRO (1)	WRITE (5)	READ1 (2)	MAP ADR 0001
MAP CNTL (8)			MAP ADR 0010
MAP CNTL (8)			MAP ADR 0011
MAP COEF (8)			MAP ADR 0100
CORDIC CNTL(CCO) (8)			CORDIC ADR 0101
MAP COEF (8)			MAP ADR 0110
CORDIC CNTL(CC1) (8)			CORDIC ADR 0111
READ1 (3)	READ0 (5)		MAP ADR 1000
WRO (1)	WRITE (5)	READ1 (2)	MAP ADR 1001
MAP CNTL (8)			MAP ADR 1010
MAP CNTL (8)			MAP ADR 1011
MAP COEF (8)			MAP ADR 1100
CORDIC COEF (8)			CORDIC ADR 1101
MAP COEF (8)			MAP ADR 1110
CORDIC COEF (8)			CORDIC ADR 1111

FIG.4 ROM TIMING CHART

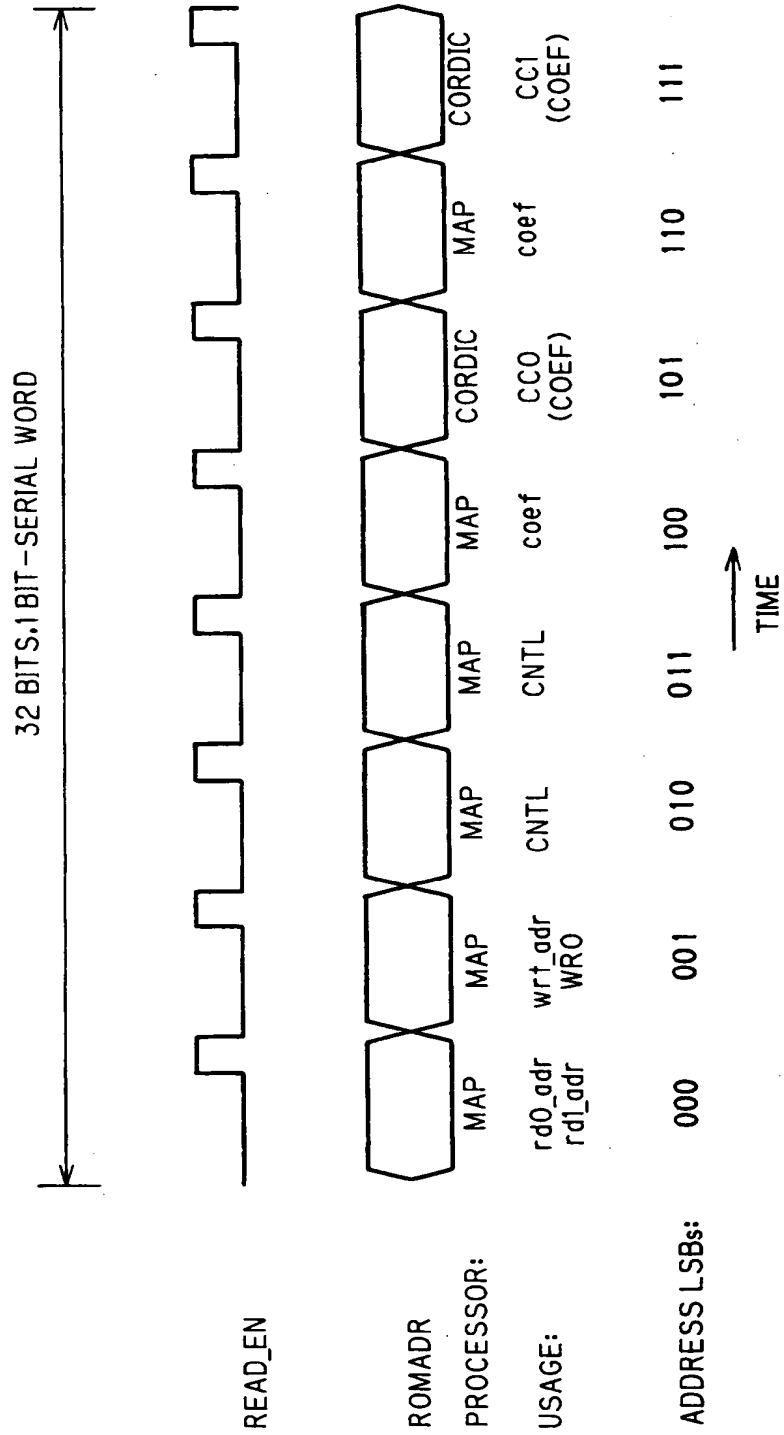
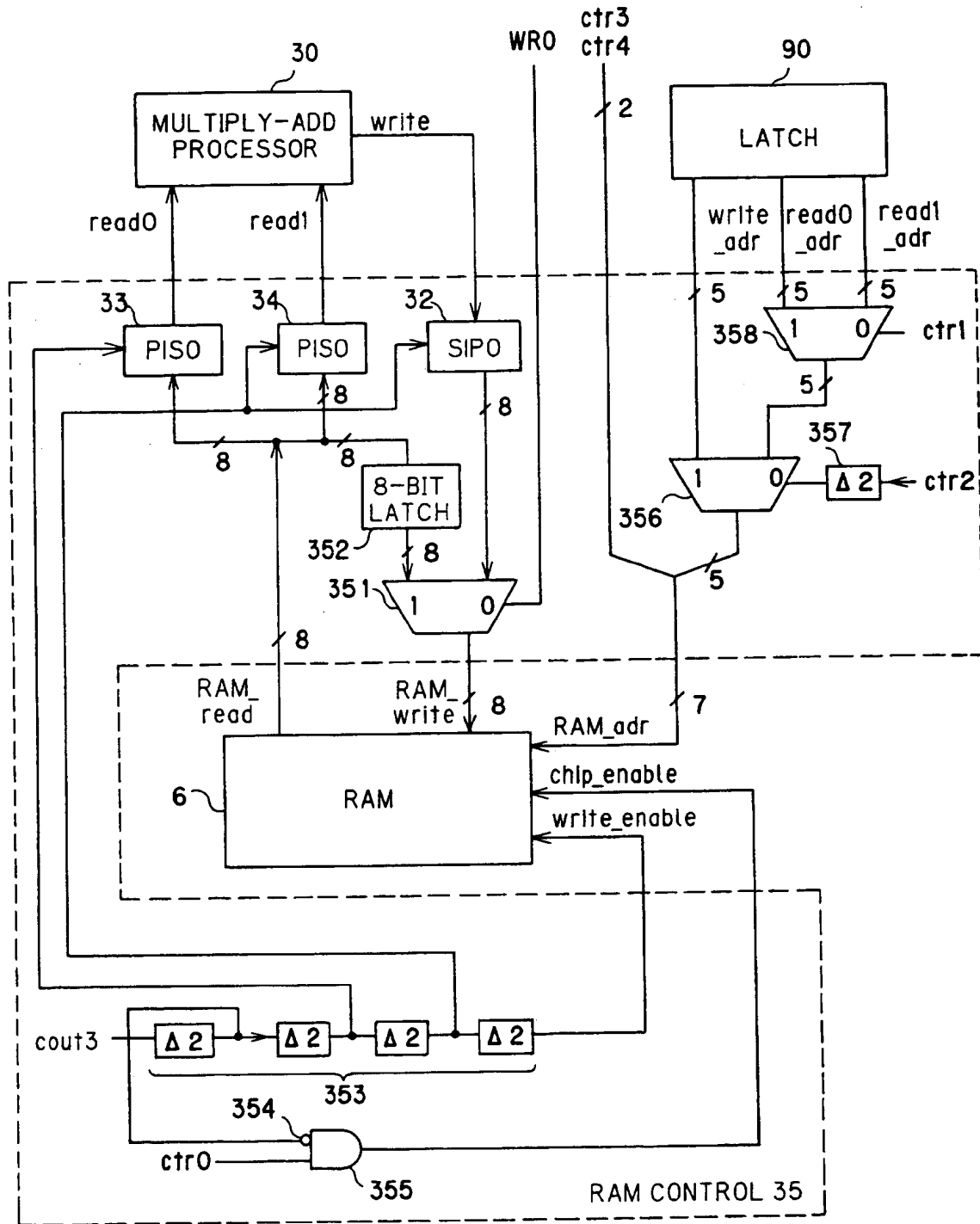


FIG.5



RAM Timing

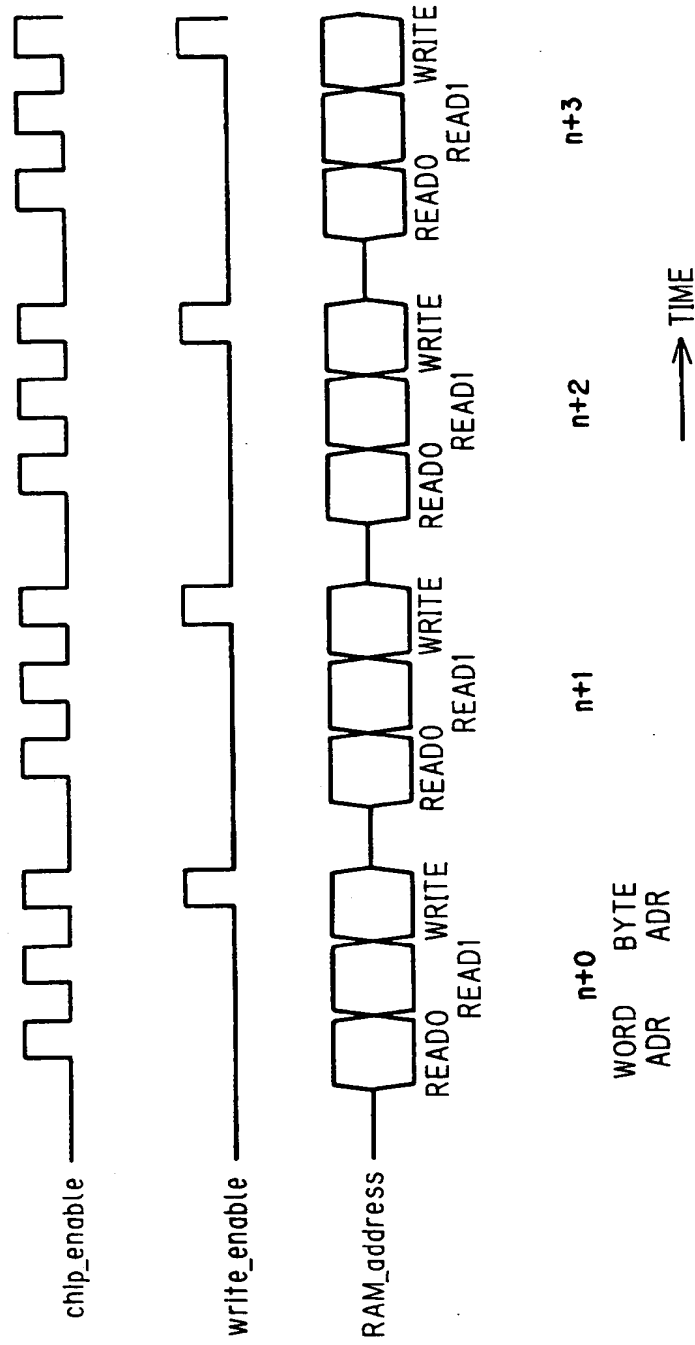
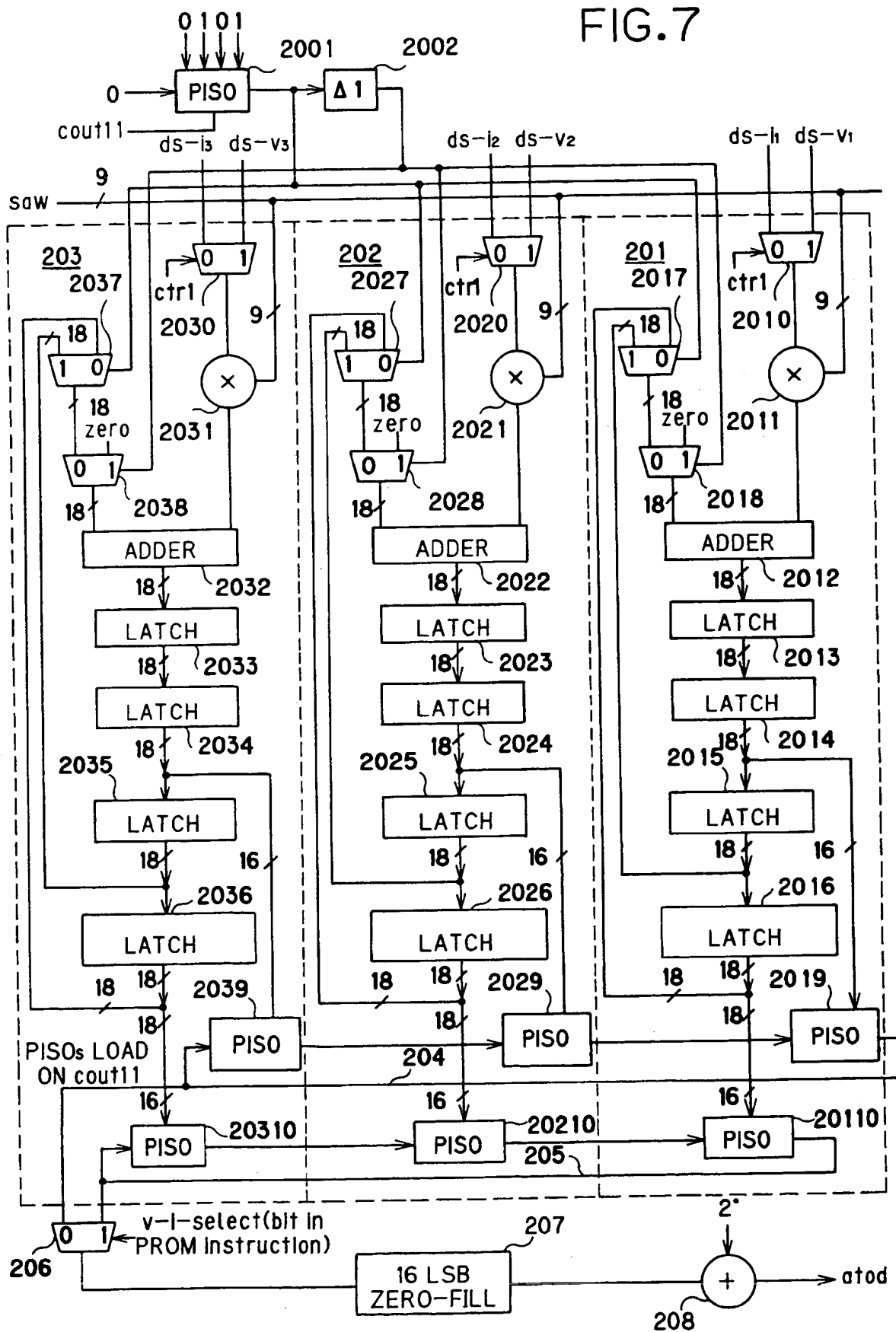
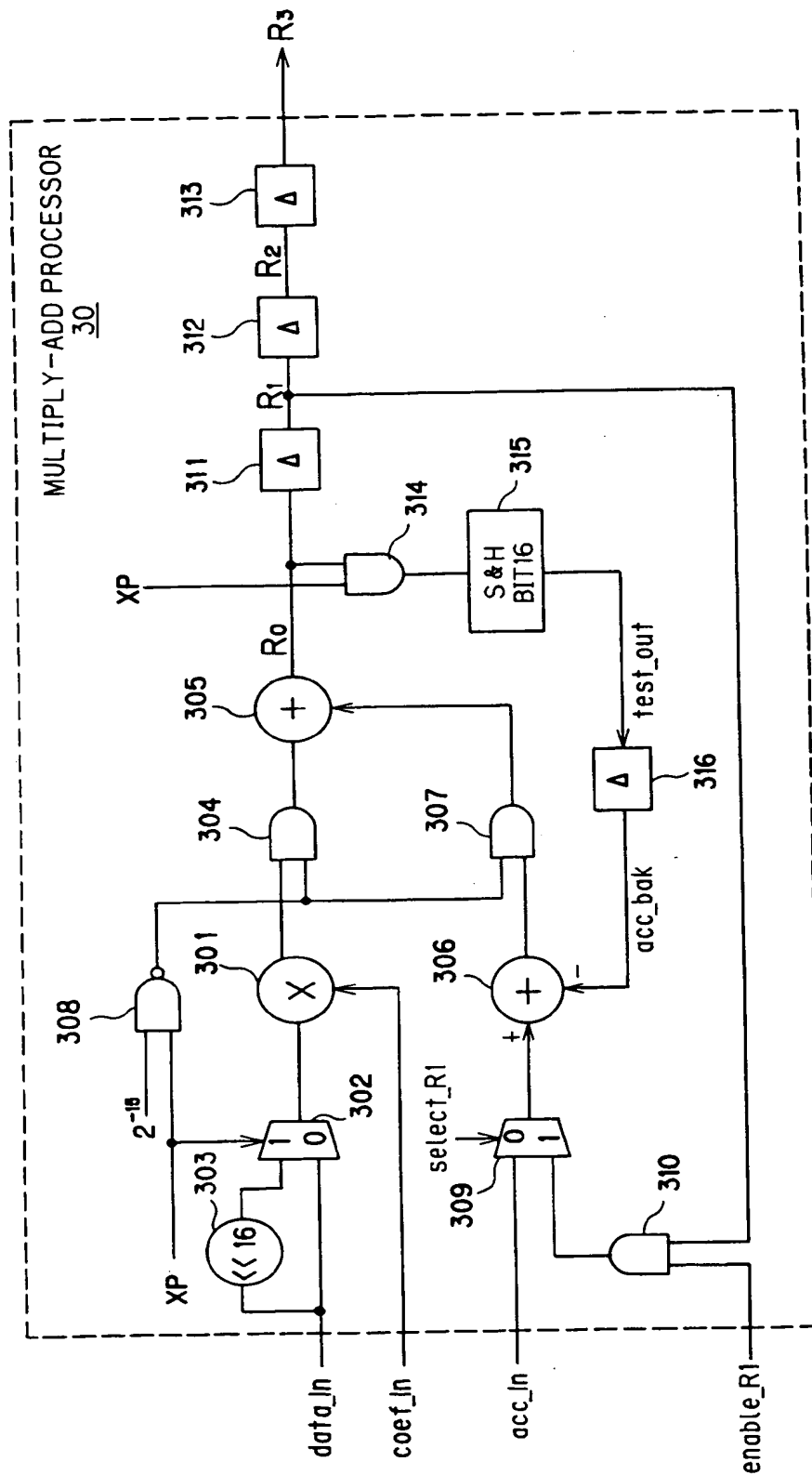


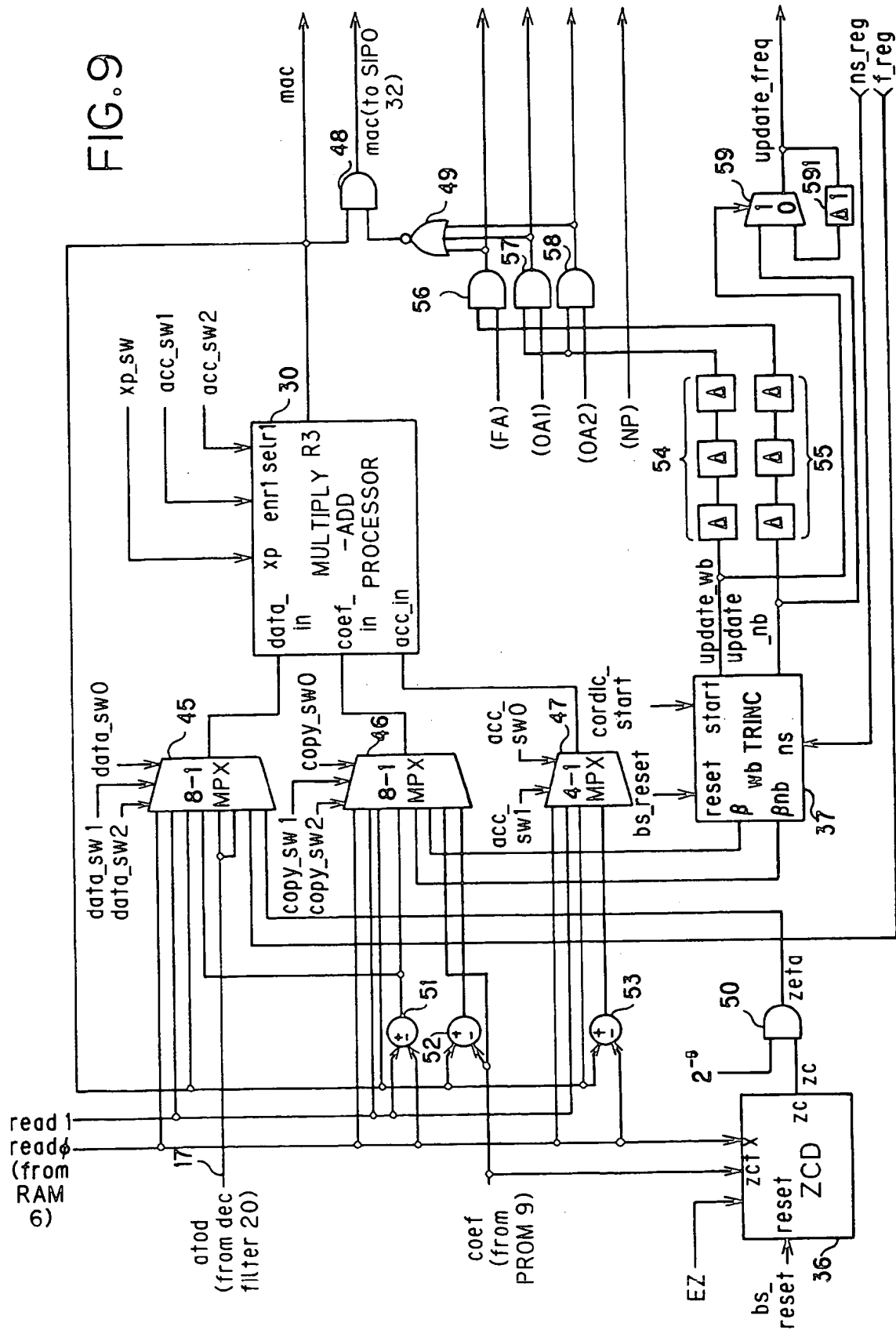
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FIG. 7









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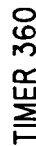


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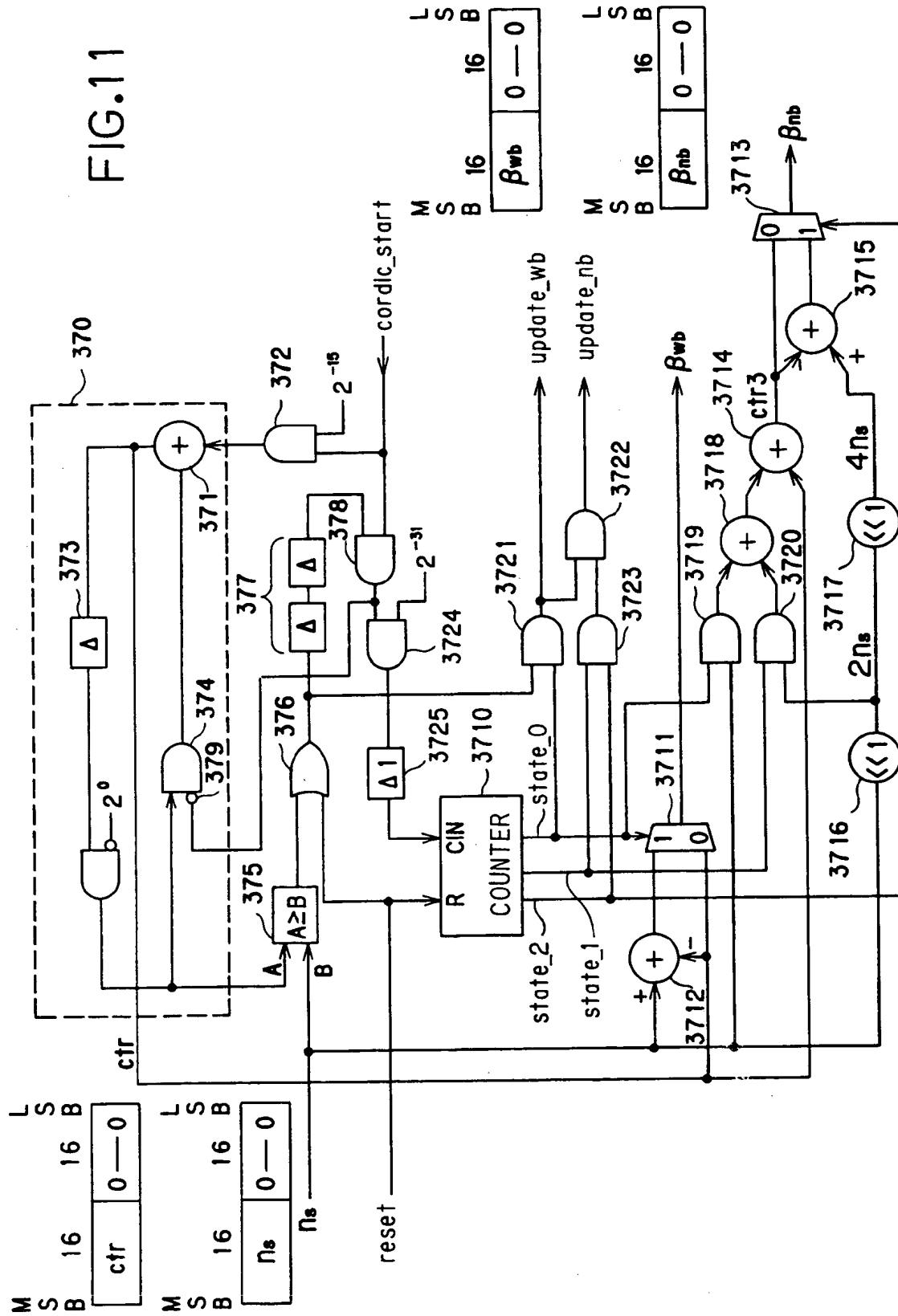


FIG.12  
TRINC TIMING CHART

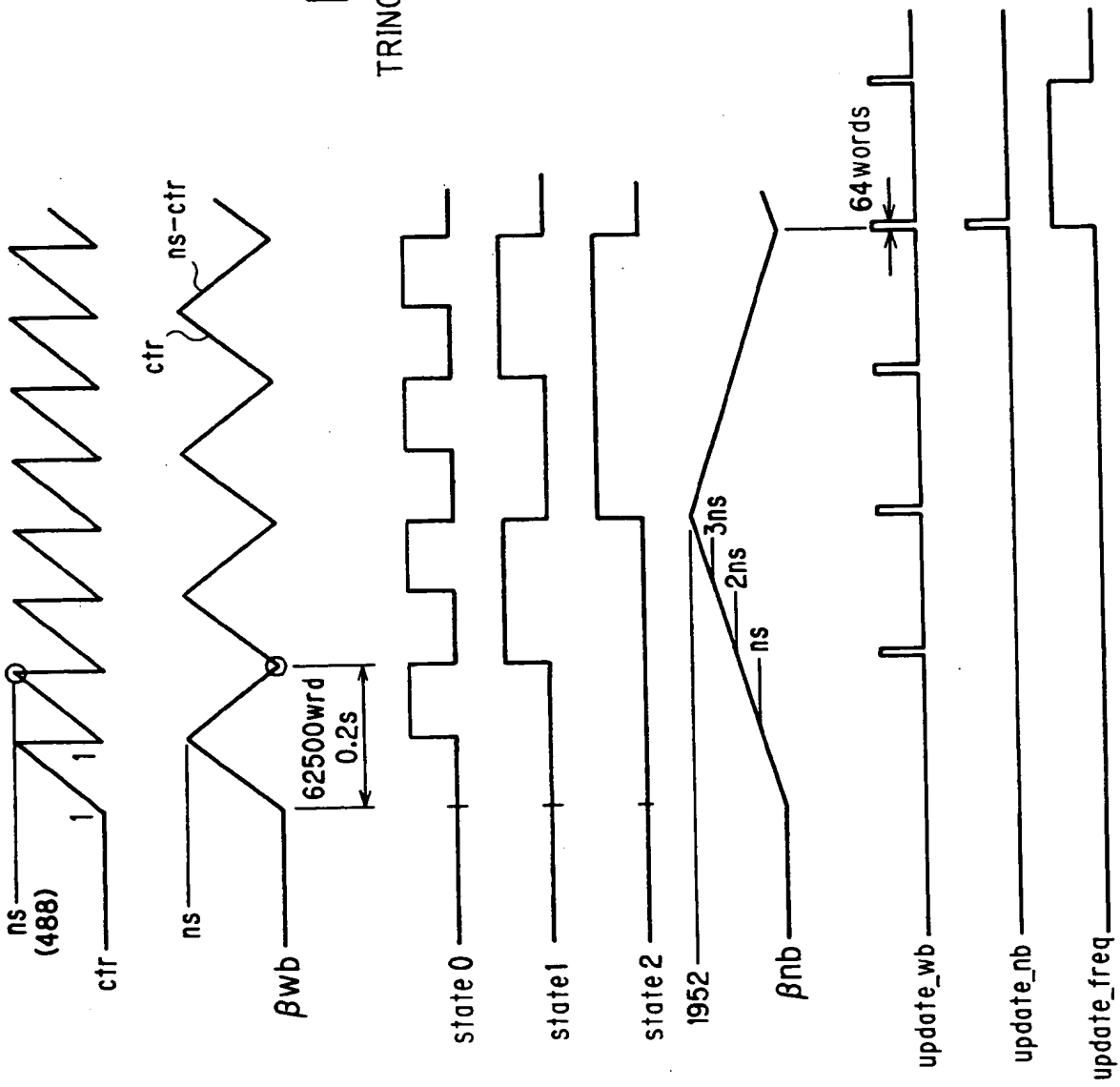


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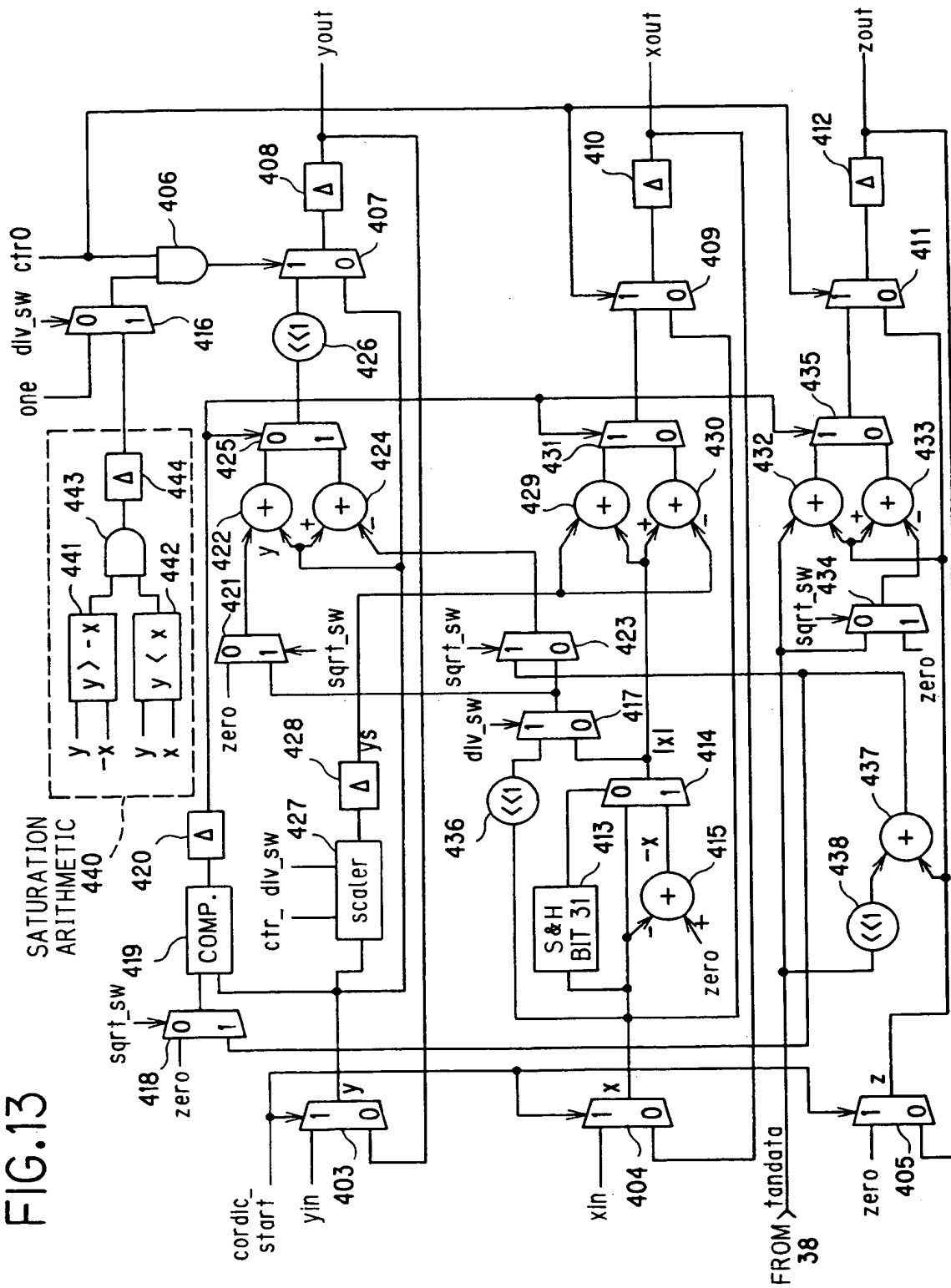


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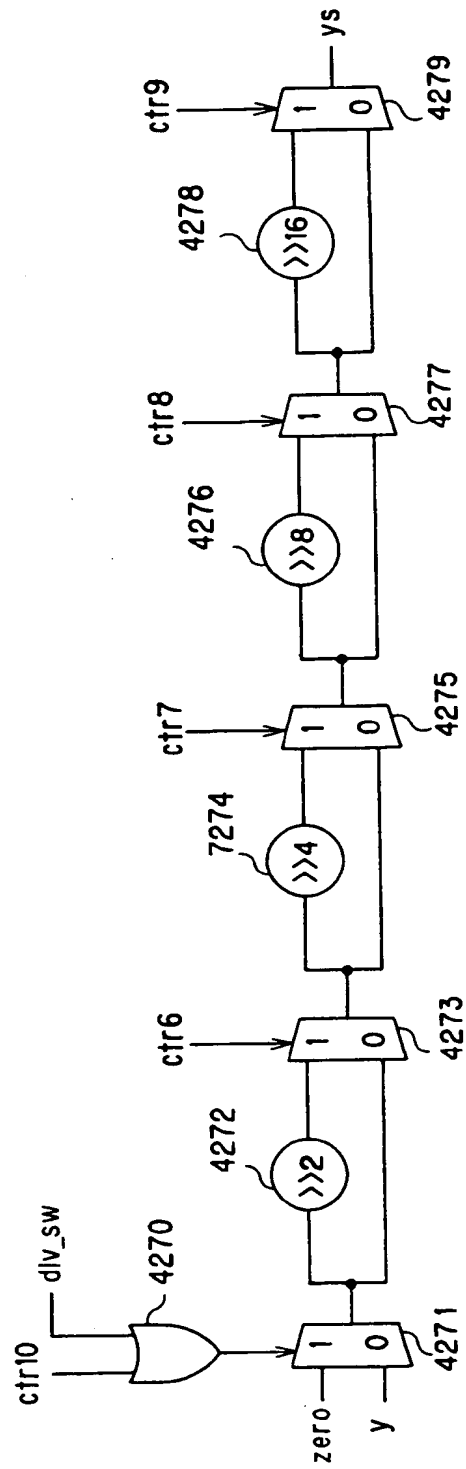


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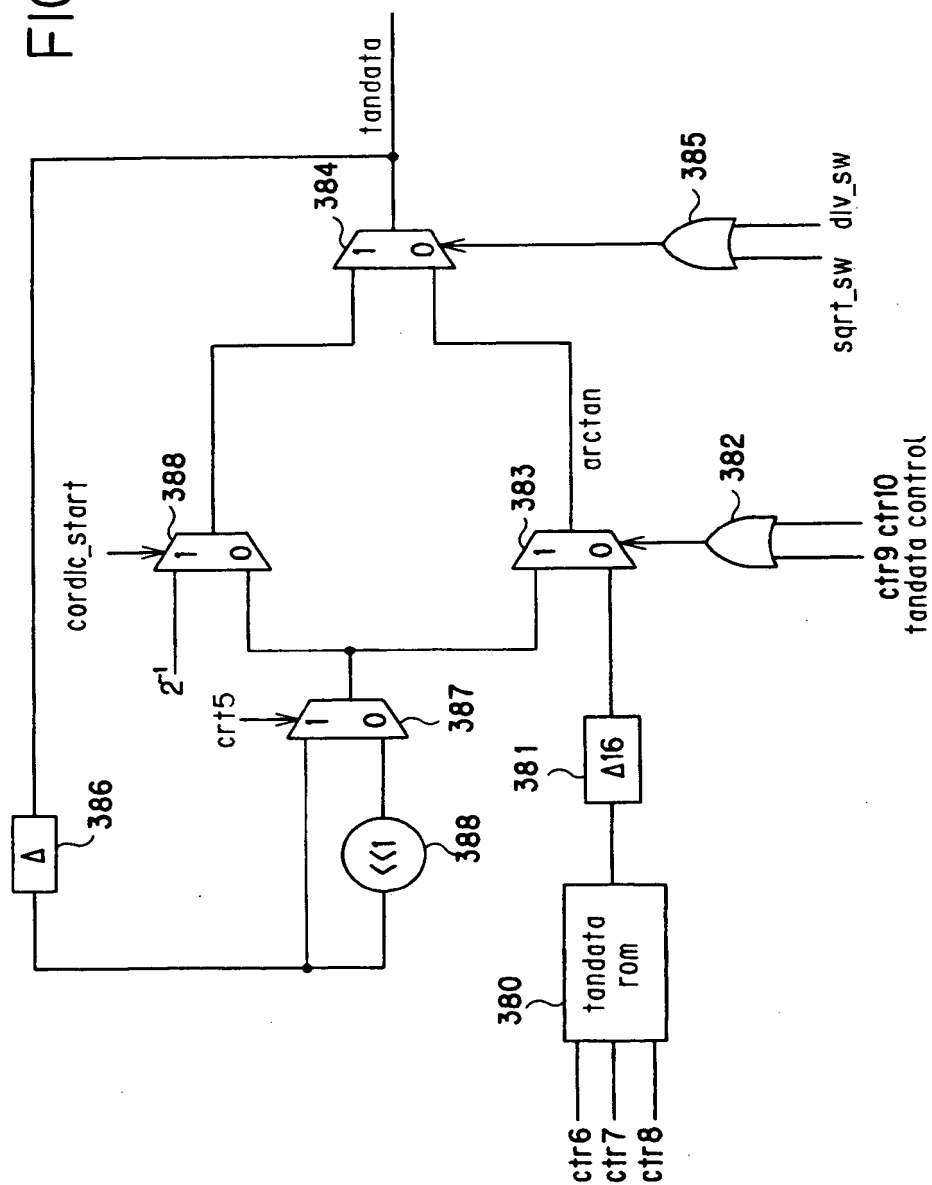




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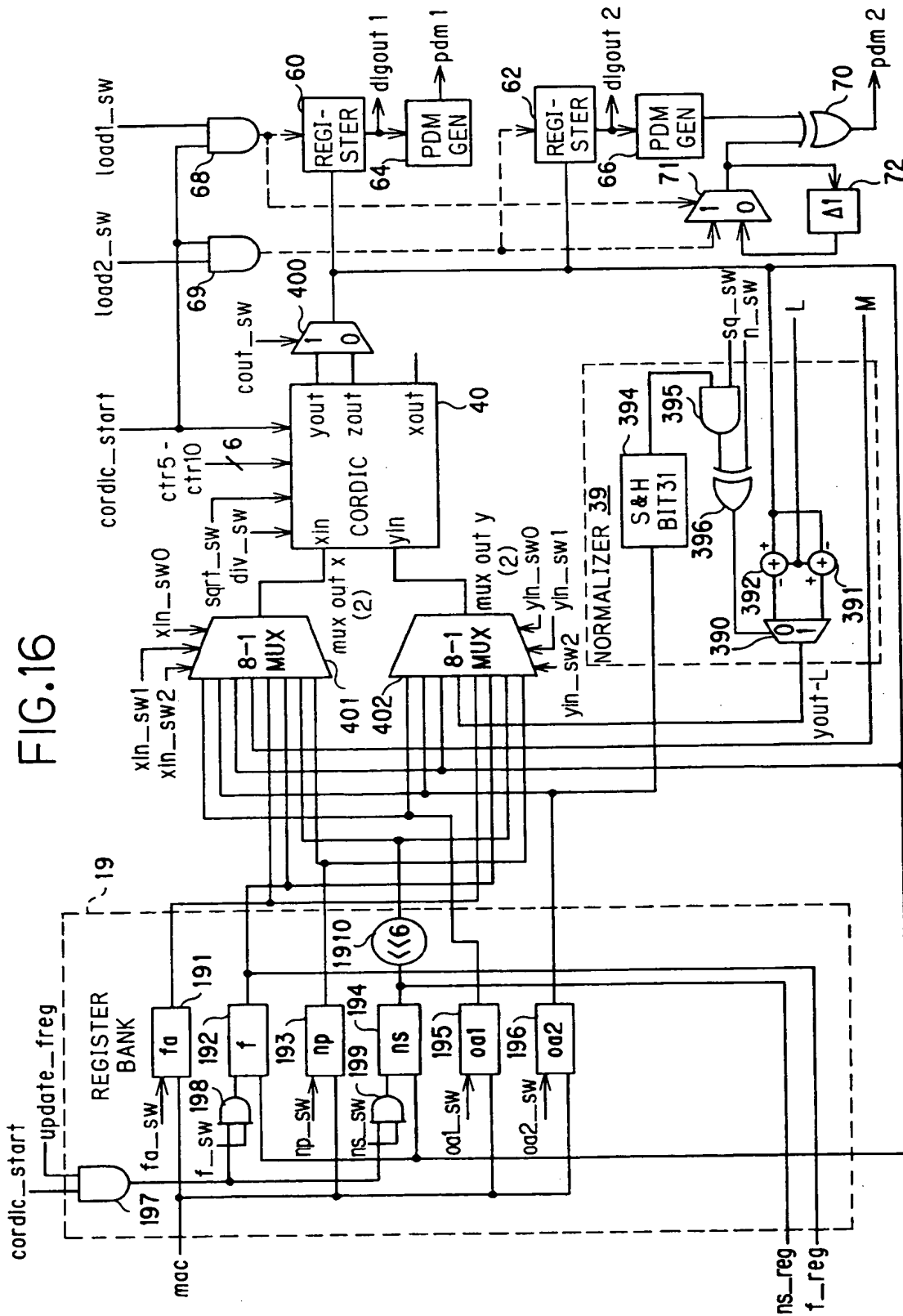
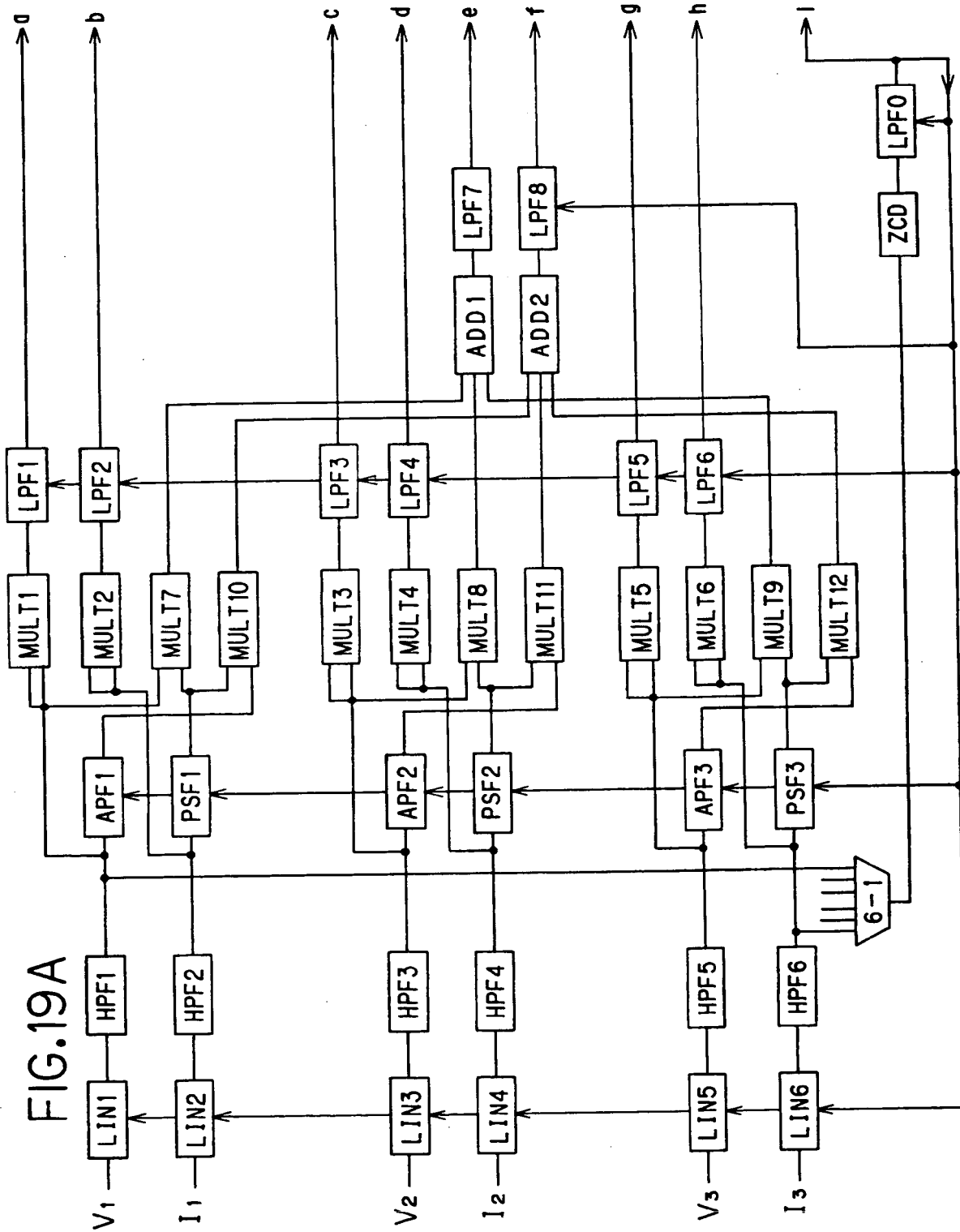


FIG.17  
CORDIC PROCESSOR—INSTRUCTION FORMAT

ARGUMENT & FUNCTION SELECTION			LOAD/CONTROL FLAGS						CORDIC COEFFICIENT	
yin	xin	func	f_sw	ns_sw	load1	load2	sq_sw	n_sw	inc	RC-coef
(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(4)	(4)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(16)	

**FIG.18**  
**ARGUMENT & FUNCTION**  
**ENCODING**

Code	yIn	xIn	func
000	oa1	oa1	arctan
001	oa2	oa2	divide
010	RC	RC	sqrt
011	RC-coef	RC-coef <sub>-1</sub>	_____
100	fa	fa	mag
101	f	f	_____
110	ns	ns	_____
111	np	np	_____



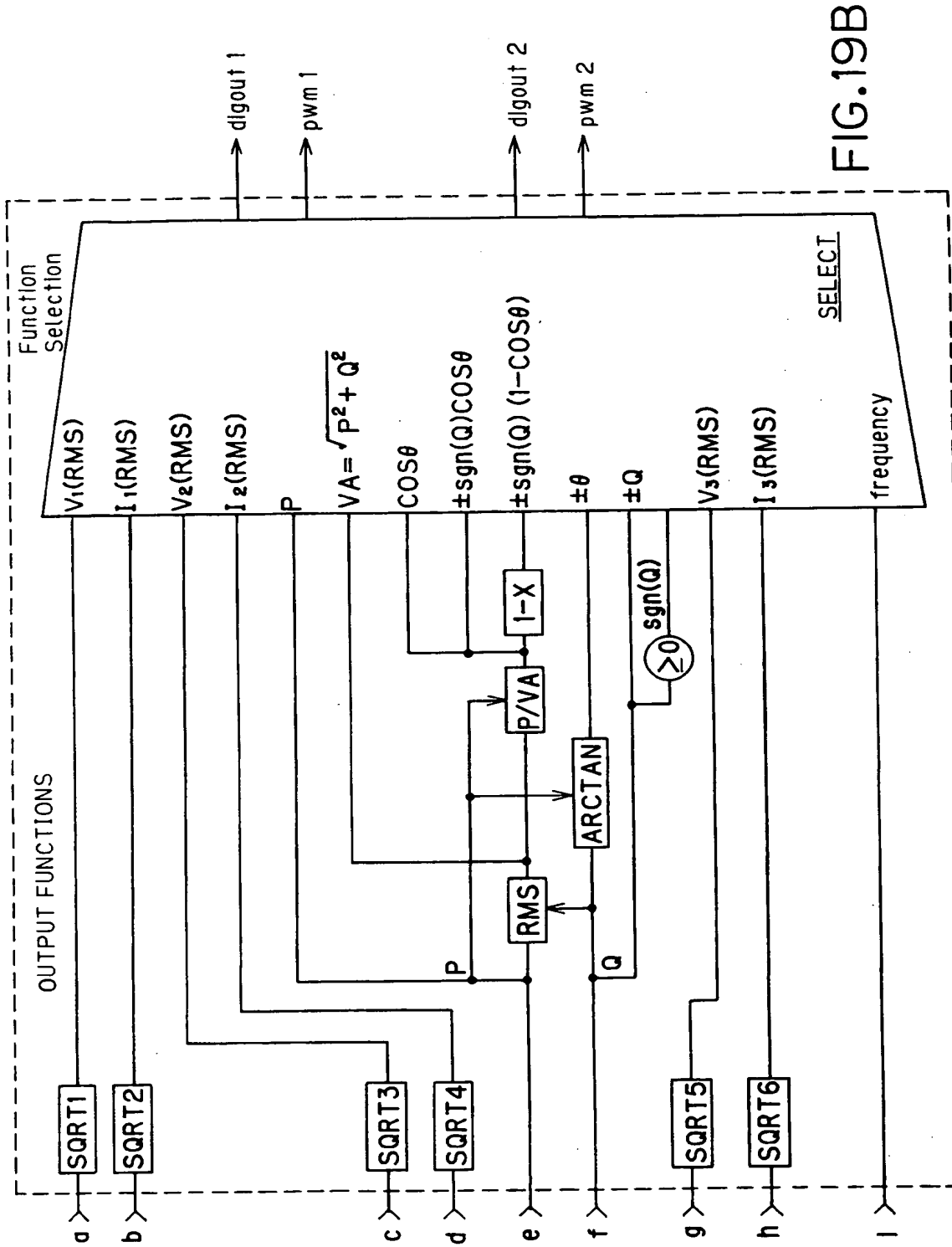
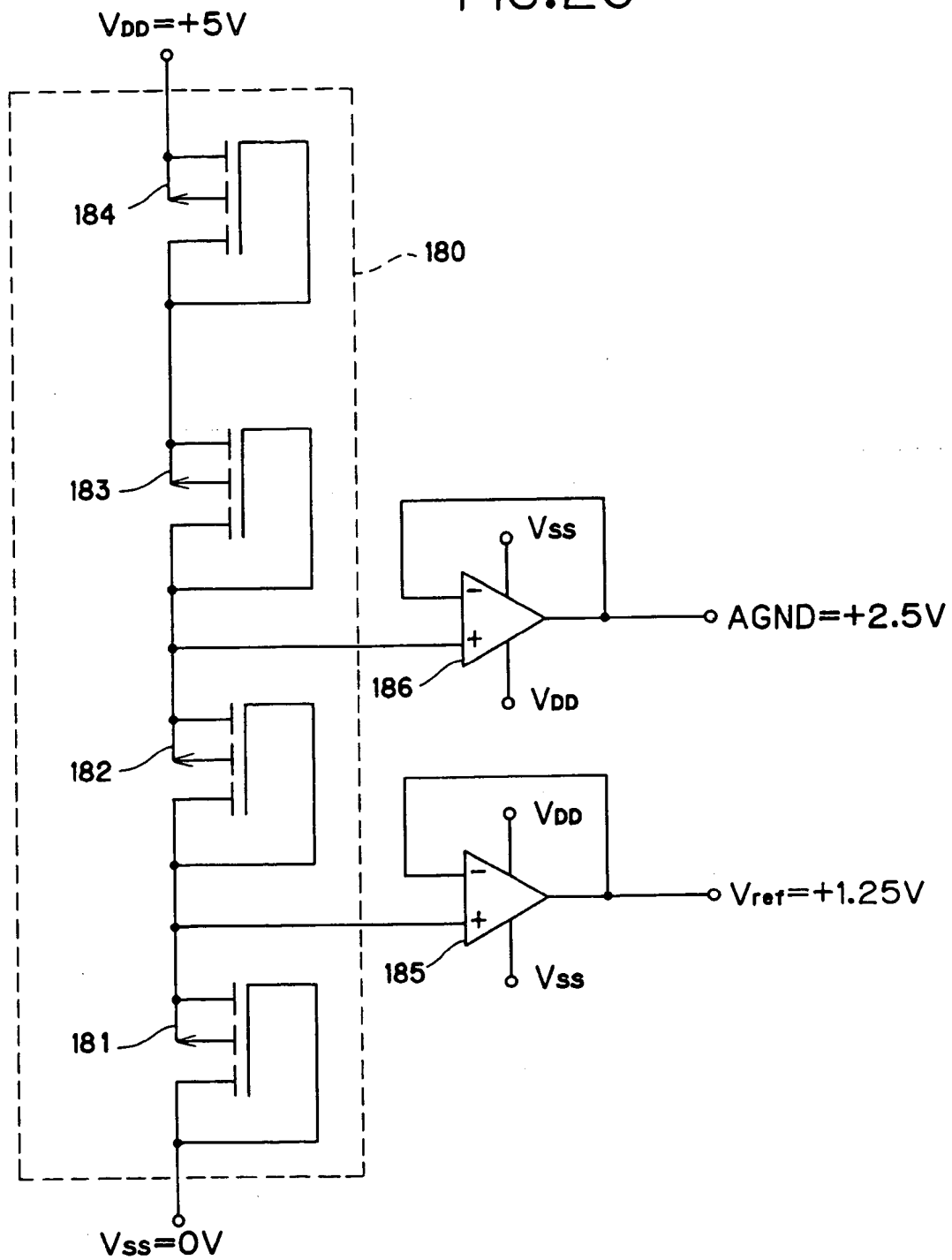


FIG. 19B

FIG.20



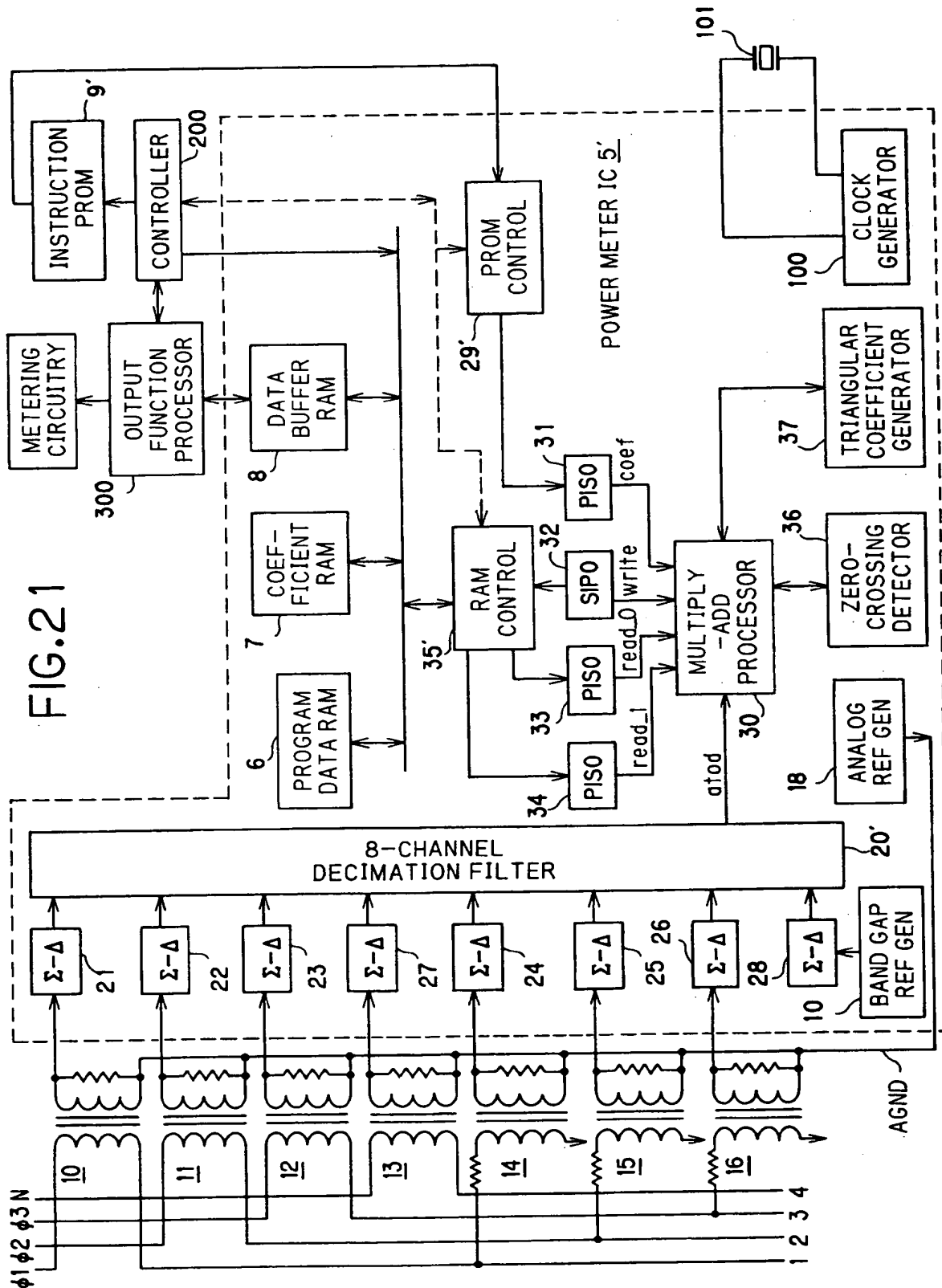
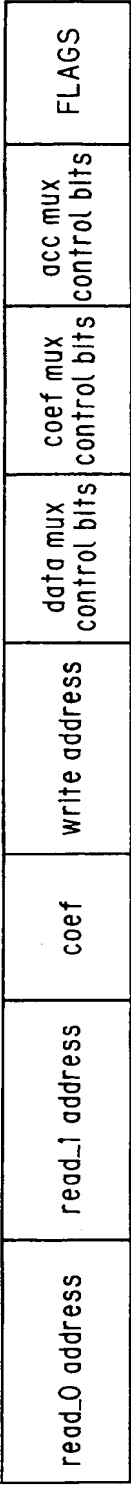


FIG.22



MULTIPLY-ADD-PROCESSOR INSTRUCTION FORMAT



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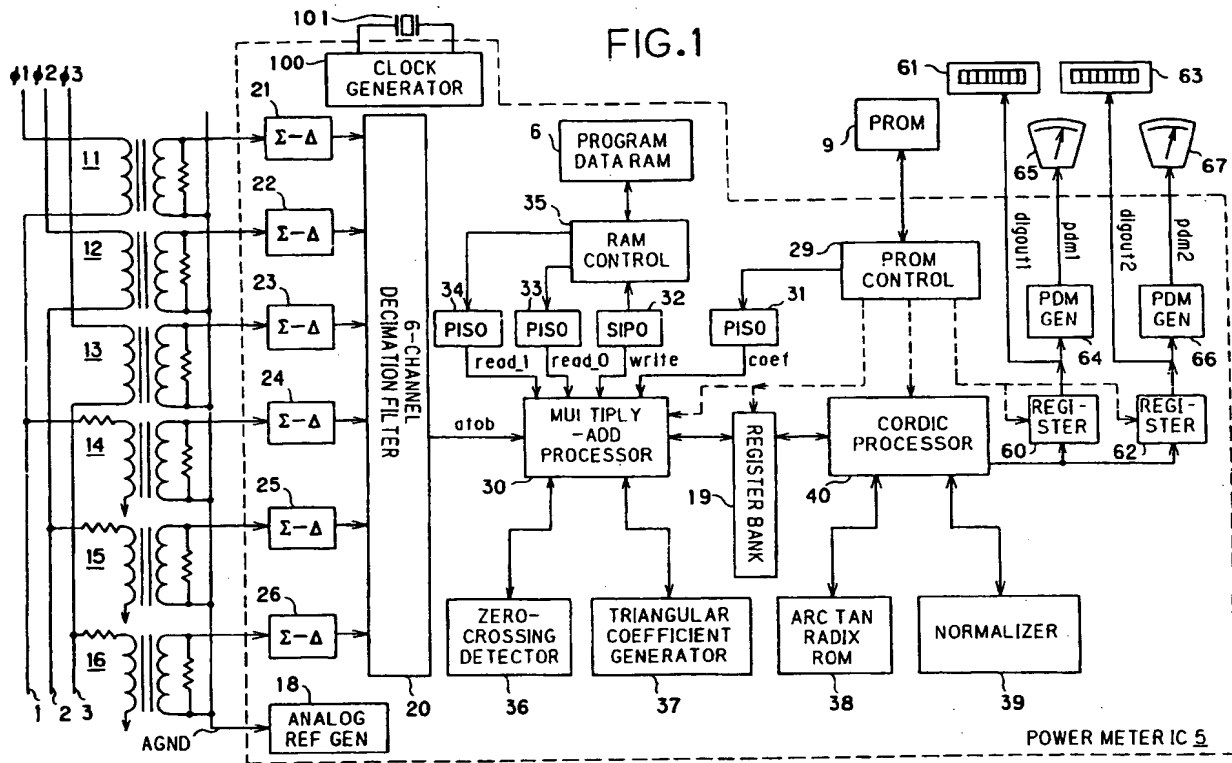
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(57) A monolithic integrated circuit as may be used in combination with a plurality of sensors for generating respective sensor output signals, which monolithic integrated circuit includes means for converting each sensor output signal to bit-serial digital format, together with some initial processing circuitry comprising a bit-serial multiply-add processor. This processor includes a bit-serial digital multiplier for multiplying a first digital processor input signal in bit-serial form by a second digital processor input signal to generate a digital product signal, a digital adder for adding a third digital processor input signal to the digital product signal to generate a digital sum signal, and means for supplying a digital processor output signal with bits corresponding to those of said digital sum signal. A memory system provides memory for storing program instructions, memory for storing successive values of the second digital

processor input signal, memory for storing successive values of the third digital processor input signal, and memory for storing successive values of the digital processor output signal as written into the memory system. The first digital processor input signal can be selected from among the sensor output signals as converted to bit-serial digital format. The second digital processor input signals applied to the bit-serial multiply-add processor are at least at selected times read from the memory system, as are the third digital processor input signals applied to the bit-serial multiply-add processor. A controller retrieves stored program instructions in a prescribed order from the memory for storing program instructions and generates control signals for controlling at least the reading and writing of the memory system, as well as the selecting of the first digital processor input signal.

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FIG. 1





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The Search Division considers that the present European patent application does not comply with the requirement of unity of invention and relates to several inventions or groups of inventions, namely:

1. Claims 1-32: Bit-serial multiply-add processor.
2. Claims 33-36: Voltmeter.
3. Claim 37: Memory for storing instruction.

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